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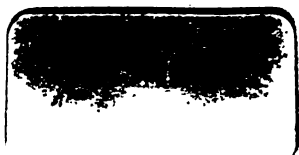


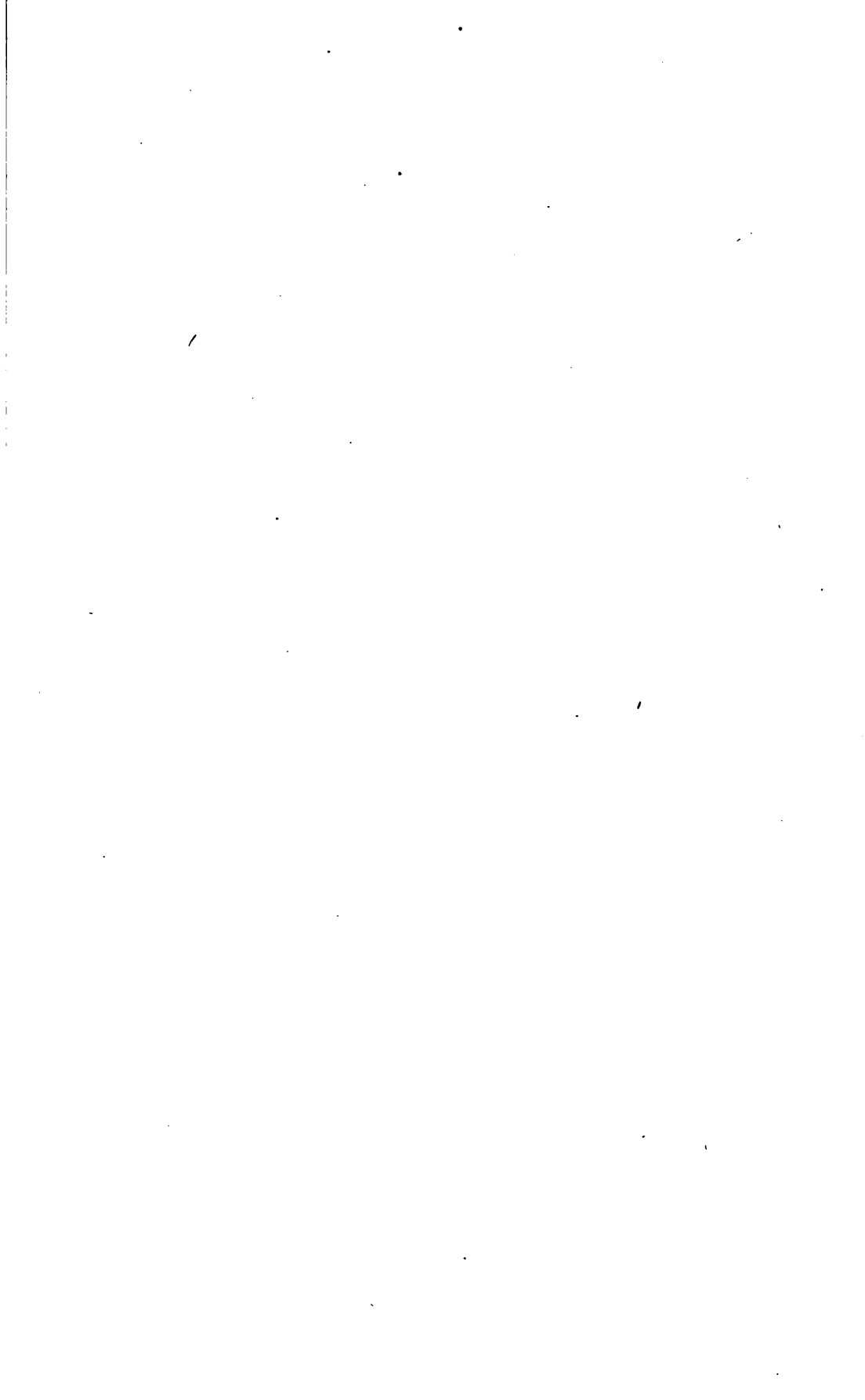
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The one hundred and tenth General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the second day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirteenth. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the Representatives' Chamber, were called to order at half-past eleven o'clock A.M. by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the senior member-elect present.

Preliminary organization.

By request of the presiding officer, prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member-elect.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Secretary informed that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Sohier of Beverly, McDonough of Boston, Cook of Weymouth, Henry of Fall River, Brooks of Springfield, Giddings of Great Barrington, Pierce of Watertown and Cronin of Worcester were appointed the committee.

Thereupon, the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all the persons returned as Representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the Clerk call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum be present.

Roll-call.

The roll was called; and, two hundred and thirty-two members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

Governor notified that quorum of the House is present.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Qualification of members.

Messrs. McCall of Winchester, McEttrick of Boston, Sanger of Cambridge, Dame of Newbury, Rugg of New Bedford, Pratt of Abington, Crowell of Dennis and Wilkins of Ashburnham were appointed the committee.

Soon afterwards His Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the Constitution and the laws were administered by His Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them; after which the Governor, the Council and the Secretary withdrew.

Notice of organization of Senate.

A message was received from the Senate announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Harris C. Hartwell as President, and Henry D. Coolidge as Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

Messrs. Blume of Boston, Allen of Woburn, Cheney of Worcester, Kimball of Northampton, Hayes of Lynn and Babbitt of Berkley were appointed the committee.

Mr. Blume, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, ...	214
Necessary for a choice, ...	108
William E. Barrett of Melrose had	213
Winfield S. Slocum of Newton had	1

And Mr. Barrett having been elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Slocum of Newton, and spoke as follows : —

Gentlemen :

For any man to be chosen Speaker of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts is a great honor. To be chosen by so hearty and pleasant a vote as has been given me this morning, after a canvass which has been in every respect so pleasant and dignified, is an honor of which any man might be justly proud. I thank the members of the

House from the bottom of my heart for the compliment they have given me, and I promise them that, so far as in me lies, I will endeavor to so conduct the duties of the Chair that they shall be satisfactory to members of the House. The Chair, after all, can do but little without the action, aid and sympathy of the members on the floor. From each one of you, of whatever party, I ask that aid and that sympathy, and I know in advance that it will be tendered, and that with it we shall have a pleasant and successful, and, I hope, as expeditious a session as is consistent with the proper discharge of public business. Gentlemen, I thank you again, I promise you my best efforts, and I now await the pleasure of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to Clerk elected. receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk.

Messrs. Lovell of Boston, Gordon of New Bedford, Coveney of Cambridge, Kittredge of Boston, Raymond of Somerville and Mellen of Worcester, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Lovell, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, ...	233
Necessary for a choice, ...	117
Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston had	233

And Mr. McLaughlin, having been unanimously elected, was conducted to the Council chamber by a committee consisting of Messrs. Bottum of Northampton and Leary of Boston. And, having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made accordingly to the House, and the Clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that John G. B. Adams of Lynn had been elected Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of that branch. Notice of election of Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk. Senate notified of organization of the House.

Messrs. Frost of Boston, Carter of Lowell, Keane of Holyoke, Ferren of Stoneham, Porter of Brockton, Harrington of Hull and McCooey of Blackstone were appointed the committee.

Mr. Frost, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Governor and
Council notified
of organization
of House.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Governor and Council that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Messrs. Preble of Boston, Bixby of Brockton, Kemp of Cambridge, Howes of Ashfield, Glasgow of Worcester, O'Mealey of Boston, Tompkins of New Bedford and Barker of Malden were appointed the committee.

Mr. Preble, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Sergeant-at-Arms.

Messrs. Curtis of Marlborough, Church of Cambridge, Woodward of Wakefield, Macfarlane of Lynn, Kennedy of Boston and Perkins of Cambridge were appointed the committee.

Mr. Curtis, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, ...	222
Necessary for a choice, ...	112
John G. B. Adams of Lynn had	222

Sergeant-at-
Arms elected.

Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the House.

Messrs. Cannell of Everett and Oakman of Boston were appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of John G. B. Adams as Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House.

Hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Temporary
rules of the
House.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, —

Ordered, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1888 be adopted as the rules of the present House until otherwise ordered.

Rules of the
House.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the members of the joint committee on Rules, on the part of the House, prepare rules for the government of the House.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That to-morrow at half-past eleven o'clock A.M. be assigned for the election of Chaplain. Election of Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. White of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House two copies of each of the Boston daily papers, and of the daily papers published in Springfield and Worcester, and one daily paper from each other city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published. Daily papers for use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the House, that six hundred copies of the same be printed, and that a certified copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the journal of the House. Printing of the Journal.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint rules of the two branches of 1888 be observed until others are adopted. Joint rules.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a joint special committee, to consist of the President and three members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches. Joint committee on rules.

Messrs. Sprague, Gleason and Parker having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Qua of Lowell, Sohier of Beverly, Mellen of Worcester, Slocum of Newton, McDonough of Boston and Leach of Palmer were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Speaker of the House was joined to the committee.

Ordered, In concurrence, that John G. B. Adams of Lynn be notified that he has been elected by the two branches of the General Court, Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year. Sergeant-at-Arms notified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate, and such as the House may join. Votes for Governor.

Messrs. Howe, Metcalf and Fassett having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Richards of Lynn, Brewer of Boston, Atherton of Gill, Thayer of Randolph, Shaw of Newburyport, Pillsbury of Boston, Russell of Somerville and Eldridge of Bourne were joined on the part of the House.

Votes for
Councillors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate, and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Walker of Essex and Hunt of Suffolk having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Miller of Needham, Desmond of Boston, Harris of East Bridgewater, Atherton of Saugus, Shepard of Sandisfield, Call of Springfield, Farren of Boston and Dubuque of Fall River were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the House, at twenty minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 3, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Brooks of Hanover,
a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the reading of
the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the reading of the journal of the House
be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Reading of
journal dis-
pensed with.

Special Assignment.

There being no objection, at ten minutes past eleven
o'clock, the matter specially assigned for half-past eleven
o'clock, being the election of a Chaplain for the House,
was taken up.

Election of
Chaplain.

Mr. Slocum of Newton moved that the Rev. Daniel W.
Waldron of Boston be elected Chaplain by acclamation.
The motion prevailed, and Mr. Waldron was unanimously
elected, and declaration was made accordingly.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to inform the
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston that he has been
elected Chaplain of the House for the year 1889.

Chaplain noti-
fied.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns
of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other
State officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and
accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule,
as follows : —

Votes for Gov-
ernor, Lieuten-
ant-Governor
and other State
officers.

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For Governor of the Commonwealth.

OLIVER AMES of Easton has	180,849	votes.
WILLIAM E. RUSSELL of Cambridge has	152,780	"
WILLIAM H. EARLE of Worcester has	9,374	"
All others, ...	111	"
And OLIVER AMES is elected.		

For Lieutenant-Governor.

JOHN Q. A. BRACKETT of Arlington has	185,967	votes.
JOHN W. CORCORAN of Clinton has	148,999	"
JOHN BASCOM of Williamstown has	8,889	"
All others, ...	62	"
And JOHN Q. A. BRACKETT is elected.		

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

HENRY B. PEIRCE of Abington has	186,527	votes.
WILLIAM N. OSGOOD of Boston has	149,063	"
HENRY C. SMITH of Williamsburg has	8,709	"
All others, ...	46	"
And HENRY B. PEIRCE is elected.		

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

GEORGE A. MARDEN of Lowell has	186,379	votes.
HENRY C. THACHER of Yarmouth has	149,274	"
JOHN M. FISHER of Attleborough has	8,730	"
All others, ...	58	"
And GEORGE A. MARDEN is elected.		

For Auditor of Accounts.

CHARLES R. LADD of Springfield has	186,562	votes.
WILLIAM A. WILLIAMS of Worcester has	148,871	"
EDMUND M. STOWE of Hudson has	8,704	"
All others, ...	141	"
And CHARLES R. LADD is elected.		

For Attorney-General.

ANDREW J. WATERMAN of Pittsfield has	186,364	votes.
SAMUEL O. LAMB of Greenfield has	149,125	"
ALLEN COFFIN of Nantucket has	8,730	"
All others, ...	61	"
And ANDREW J. WATERMAN is elected.		

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. Oliver Ames that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor not-
ified of their
election.

Also to inform the Hon. John Q. A. Brackett that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

Messrs. Hathorne, Cook of Essex and Metcalf having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Kimball of Fitchburg, Witt of Boston, Sanger of Boston, Brady of Lowell, Kempton of New Bedford, Clemence of Southbridge, McNary of Boston and Lane of Springfield were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor and the Lieutenant-Governor elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Kingsley, Tucker, and Clark of Essex, of the Senate, and Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Hale of Taunton, Monahan of Boston, Smalley of Nantucket, Brown of Salem, Worth of Boston, Rowell of Methuen and McDonough of Fall River, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office.

Joint conven-
tion.

Mr. Kingsley, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

Oaths of office administered to Governor and Lieutenant-Governor.

The oaths and affirmations of office were then, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. Oliver Ames as Governor, and the Hon. John Q. A. Brackett as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's address.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the Senators and Representatives.

After which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Papers from the Senate.

Votes for Councilors.

The report of the joint committee on the votes for Councilors, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

- District No. 1. Isaac N. Keith of Bourne.
 2. Arthur W. Tufts of Boston.
 3. Robert O. Fuller of Cambridge.
 4. Edward J. Flynn of Boston.
 5. Augustus Mudge of Danvers.
 6. Francis Jewett of Lowell.
 7. George W. Johnson of Brookfield.
 8. Levi J. Gunn of Greenfield.

Secretary directed to notify Councilors of their election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Robert O. Fuller, Edward J. Flynn, Augustus Mudge, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn that they have been duly elected Councilors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that the

several Councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such of the Councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Gleason, O'Sullivan and Stevens of Worcester and Hampshire, of the Senate, and Messrs. Gracey of Salem, Hixon of Chelsea, Morison of Boston, Marchant of Edgartown, Merrill of Quincy, McEnaney of Boston, Paige of Amherst and Lally of Milford, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Councillors elect and inform them that the two Houses are in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them for office.

Soon afterwards the Councillors-elect, Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Robert O. Fuller, Edward J. Flynn, Augustus Mudge, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn came in; and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly.

The Councillors then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. Henry B. Peirce of Abington that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. George A. Marden of Lowell that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. Charles R. Ladd of Springfield that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield that he has been elected Attorney-General, severally to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Clerks of the Senate and House directed to notify Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General of their election.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, —

Secretary directed to notify Governor of election and qualification of Councillors.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to the Governor that Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Robert O. Fuller, Edward J. Flynn, Augustus Mudge, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Disposition of Governor's address.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. White of Taunton, —

Adjournment until Monday. — Hour of meeting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock p.m., and that hereafter that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the House, at thirty-three minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 7, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him.

Reports, etc., Received.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting the following documents, which were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill:—

Annual Report of the Adjutant-General of the Commonwealth.	Adjutant-General.
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Fourth Annual Report of the Board of Police of the City of Boston.	Board of Police of Boston.
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Third Annual Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy.	Board of Registration in Pharmacy.
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Second Annual Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.	Board of Registration in Dentistry.
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Annual Report of the State Pension Agent.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Congress of the United States in relation to the proposed Permanent Exposition of the Three Americas at Washington.	State Pension Agent. Permanent Exposition of the Three Americas at Washington.
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Documents relating to the celebration, on the 30th of April next, in the city of New York, of the one hundredth anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.	Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.
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Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, was, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, laid over until to-morrow:—

<i>Ordered,</i> That a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, with such a number as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider the expediency of abolishing capital punishment in this Commonwealth.	Abolishment of capital punishment.
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Assistant Clerk Appointed.

Assistant Clerk. A communication was received from the Clerk, announcing that he had appointed James W. Kimball of Lynn Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives for the year 1889, which was read and placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint Rule 1.

A report, in part, of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows : —

1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session, viz. : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Federal Relations ;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- A committee on Insurance ;
- A committee on the Library ;
- A committee on the Liquor Law ;
- A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
- A committee on Printing ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;

A committee on Taxation ;

A committee on Towns ;

A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on the Treasury of the Senate and the committee on Finance of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session.

The report of the joint special committee on Rules, on the order relative to the disposition of the several portions of the Governor's address, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows : —

Disposition of
the Governor's
address.

That so much as relates to the loan for the purchase of land for the extension of the State House be referred to the committee on Expenditures.

That so much as relates to the separate management of savings banks and of national banks be referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

That so much as relates to State aid and to invalid pensioners and their dependent relatives be referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

That so much as relates to an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage be referred to a joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

That so much as relates to the penalties for violating the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors be referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

That so much as relates to costs in criminal proceedings and to the condition of the inferior courts be referred to the committees on the Judiciary of the two branches sitting jointly.

That so much as relates to schools for truant children be referred to the committee on Education.

That so much as relates to securing municipal suffrage to women be referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

That so much as relates to the abolition of grade crossings of railroads be referred to the committee on Railroads.

That so much as relates to a system of sewerage for the valley of the Mystic be referred to the committee on Drainage.

That so much as relates to the employment of prisoners be referred to the committee on Prisons.

That so much as relates to the increase of insanity and the care of the insane be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

That so much as relates to the appointment of an officer for the oversight of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth be referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

That so much as relates to the laws for the survey and inspection of lumber be referred to the committees on the Judiciary of the two branches sitting jointly.

That so much as relates to the protection of the lobster fisheries be referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

That so much as relates to the observance of the one hundredth anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States be referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

That so much as relates to a National Exposition in honor of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the continent be referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the House, at ten minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 8, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows:—

Standing Committees of the House.

Judiciary. — Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Wardwell of Haverhill, Pinkerton of Worcester, Blume of Boston, Pratt of Abington, Dewey of Boston, Dubuque of Fall River, Howland of Chelsea and Perkins of Cambridge. Standing committees of the House.

Probate and Insolvency. — Messrs. Qua of Lowell, Brewer of Boston, Preble of Boston, Sohier of Beverly, Carroll of Worcester, Sanger of Boston, Rowell of Methuen, Harris of East Bridgewater and McDonough of Fall River.

Finance. — Messrs. Wales of Attleborough, Lovell of Boston, Bixby of Brockton, Wilkins of Ashburnham, Bennett of Springfield, Carter of Lowell, Norcross of Medford, Russell of Douglas and Gould of Warren.

County Estimates. — Messrs. Wood of Northborough, Connell of Dracut, Richmond of North Adams, Newhall of Sterling, Worth of Boston, Burgess of Fall River and Nolan of Boston.

Elections. — Messrs. Preble of Boston, Bowman of Boston, Heslan of Boston, Howes of Ashfield, Kittredge of Boston, Purrington of Mattapoisett and Gillespie of Boston.

Rules. — The Speaker and Messrs. Bottom of Northampton, Slocum of Newton, Qua of Lowell, Sohier of Beverly, Mellen of Worcester, McDonough of Boston and Leach of Palmer.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Glasgow of Worcester, Wilcox of Pittsfield and Foote of Lee.

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Crowell of Dennis, Wyckoff of Franklin and Heslan of Boston.

Leave of Absence. — Messrs. Howes of Ashfield, Eldridge of Chatham and Moore of Boston.

Pay Roll. — Messrs. Holder of Lynn, Hamilton of New Salem and J. H. Sullivan of Boston.

In concurrence the joint standing committees were appointed, as follows : —

Joint Standing Committees.

Joint standing
committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Palmer of Middlesex, Baker of Franklin and Harlow of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Babbitt of Berkley, Paige of Amherst, Clemence of Southbridge, Ripley of Granville, Crane of Westfield, Lattimore of Boston, Pike of Topsfield and Alden of Duxbury, *of the House*.

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Evans of Middlesex, Harlow of Plymouth and Hosmer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Conant of Littleton, Call of Springfield, Richards of Lynn, Sherman of Plymouth, Holbrook of Athol, Wyckoff of Franklin, Clayton of Cambridge and Barry of Boston, *of the House*.

Cities. — Messrs. Hathorne of Suffolk, Howe of Middlesex and Hunt of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Frost of Boston, Atwood of Boston, Cheney of Worcester, Means of Boston, Leary of Boston, Morison of Boston and Wilcox of Pittsfield, *of the House*.

Drainage. — Messrs. Kingsley of Middlesex, Pike of Essex and Dwinell of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Giddings of Great Barrington, Curtis of Marlborough, Holman of Clinton, Ferren of Stoneham, Mead of Natick, Turner of Malden and Dugan of Boston, *of the House*.

Education. — Messrs. Campbell of Suffolk, Neill of Bristol and Stevens of Worcester and Hampshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bicknell of Boston, Kimball of Lynn, McEttrick of Boston, Davis of Somerville, Shepard of Sandisfield, Bond of Fitchburg, Keane of Holyoke and Douglas of Greenwich, *of the House*.

Election Laws. — Messrs. Sprague of Suffolk and O'Sullivan of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hayes of Lynn, Gilman of North Andover, Marchant of Edgartown, Tripp of Boston, Monahan of Boston, Putnam of Lunenburg and O'Neil of Boston, *of the House*.

Expenditures. — Messrs. Pike of Essex, Kingsley of Middlesex and Hosmer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wales of Attleborough, Lovell of Boston, Bixby of Brockton, Wilkins of Ashburnham, Bennett of Springfield, Carter of Lowell, Norcross of Medford, Russell of Douglas and Gould of Warren, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Hathorne of Suffolk and Cook of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Rugg of New Bedford, Prevaux of Amesbury, Reed of Framingham, Feren of Stoneham, Sullivan of Lawrence, Woodward of Wakefield and O'Mealey of Boston, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Cook of Essex and Gibson of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Stimpson of Swampscott, Conwell of Provincetown, Smalley of Nantucket, Haskell of Gloucester, Putnam of Lunenburg, McDonald of Pittsfield and Garvey of Lowell, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Metcalf of Hampden and Walker of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. White of Taunton, Hixon of Chelsea, Rugg of New Bedford, Eldridge of Bourne, Crowell of Dennis, Keliher of Boston and Swallow of Boston, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Stevens of Norfolk and Metcalf of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, Henry of Fall River, Church of Cambridge, Stearns of Dedham, Bancroft of Reading, Parks of Westfield and Moore of Boston, *of the House*.

Labor. — Messrs. Neill of Bristol, Whitney of Worcester and Fassett of Berkshire and Hampshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Leach of Palmer, Barnes of Chelsea, Cutting of Weston, Stafford of Lawrence, Nichols of Wilmington, Crowley of Boston, Ayres of Petersham and Edwards of Fall River, *of the House*.

Library. — Messrs. O'Sullivan of Essex and Campbell of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Frost of Boston, Brewer of Boston, Dearing of Braintree, Sprout of Worcester, Bowman of Boston, Beck of Milton and Littlefield of Peabody, *of the House*.

Liquor Law. — Messrs. Gleason of Plymouth and Campbell of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gracey of Salem, Cook of Weymouth, Cronin of Worcester, Milton of Waltham, Howe of Hubbardston, Snow of Marblehead and Morse of Marlborough, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. Palmer of Middlesex, Wheelock of Worcester and Walker of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Brooks of Springfield, Qua of Lowell, Gray of Walpole, Gardiner of Raynham, Lally of Milford, Porter of Brockton, Dodge of Wenham and Pillsbury of Boston, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Crosby of Berkshire, Cook of Essex and Stevens of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Mellen of Worcester, Barker of Malden, Lane of Springfield, McEnaney of Boston, Lincoln of Wrentham, Adams of Quincy and Bigelow of Grafton, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Walker of Essex, Hathorne of Suffolk and E. J. Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Spring of Holliston, Martin of Lynn, Kemp of Cambridge, Oakman of Boston, Reed of Framingham, Dallinger of Cambridge, Harvey of Boston and McNary of Boston, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Messenger of Bristol and Wheelock of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Brooks of Hanover, Foote of Lee, Brooks of Ashby, Davis of Somerville, Gilman of Newton, McLaughlin of Boston and Snow of Marblehead, *of the House*.

Printing. — Messrs. Gunn of Suffolk and Hunt of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Shepard of Danvers, Conwell of Provincetown, Macfarlane of Lynn, Mendall of Acushnet, Barnes of Chelsea, Eddy of Webster and Burke of Boston, *of the House*.

Prisons. — Messrs. Fassett of Berkshire and Hampshire and Gibson of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Berry of Salem, Atherton of Saugus, Tompkins of New Bedford, Brady of Lowell, Hale of Taunton, Nichols of Gloucester and Eldredge of Chicopee, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Clark of Essex, Messinger of Bristol and Gunn of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ferry of Springfield, Thayer of Randolph, E. Sullivan of Boston, Blodgett of Templeton, Hutchinson of Lexington, McCooey of Blackstone, Bliss of Warren and Allen of Lowell, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Gleason of Plymouth and Baker of Franklin, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Miller of Needham, Dearing of Braintree, Quinn of Boston, Patridge of Upton, Sprout of Worcester, Brown of North Adams and Riley of Adams, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Parker of Worcester and O'Sullivan of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sohier of Beverly, Haseltine of Lawrence, Potter of Longmeadow, Bennett of Pepperell, Alden of Middleborough, Gillespie of Boston and Howard of Lawrence, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Pilsbury of Suffolk, Symonds of Essex, Stevens of Worcester and Hampshire and James Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Allen of Woburn, Gordon of New Bedford, McDonough of Boston, Kimball of Fitchburg, Raymond of Somerville, Wyman of Hyde Park, Taft of Gloucester, Coveney of Cambridge, Brown of Salem, Hanson of Lowell and Kimball of Northampton, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Cook of Bristol and Fisk of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Dame of Newbury, Plaisted of Worcester, Slocum of Dartmouth, Davis of Gloucester, Stanley of Attleborough, Stover of Haverhill and Farren of Boston, *of the House*.

State House. — Messrs. Tucker of Norfolk and Gunn of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kittredge of Boston, Fottler of Boston, Morison of Boston, Hildreth of Holyoke, Albee of Boston, Littlefield of Peabody and Eddy of Webster, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Howe of Middlesex, Tucker of Norfolk and Cook of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Woodward of Wakefield, Shaw of Newburyport, Cannell of Everett, Witt of Boston, Desmond of Boston, Grant of Revere, Kennedy of Boston and Harrington of Hull, *of the House*.

Taxation. — Messrs. Symonds of Essex and Evans of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Rowell of Methuen, Gilman of Newton, Packard of Conway, Pierce of Hadley, Bowerman of Lanesborough, J. H. Sullivan of Boston and McNary of Boston, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Whitney of Worcester and Fisk of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Smith of Leicester, Cutler of Greenfield, Perry of Rehoboth, Greenwood of Ashland, Marchant of Edgartown, Riley of Adams and Atherton of Gill, *of the House*.

Water Supply. — Messrs. Dwinell of Middlesex, Clark of Essex and E. J. Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Thompson of Brockton, Merrill of Quincy, Pierce of Watertown, Russell of Somerville, Johnson of Haverhill, Kempton of New Bedford and Murphy of Boston, *of the House*.

Woman Suffrage. — Messrs. Kingsley of Middlesex and Pilsbury of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Brewster of Worthington, Gracey of Salem, Russell of Somerville, Keane of Holyoke, Bicknell of Boston, Brooks of Hanover and Cronin of Worcester, *of the House*.

The Speaker announced the following as the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments: —

Joint Special Committee.

Joint special
committee.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Gleason of Plymouth, Clark of Essex and Metcalf of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kimball of Lynn, Sanger of Boston, Smith of Leicester, McEttrick of Boston, Barker of Malden, Eldridge of Chatham, Russell of Douglas and Gould of Warren, *of the House*.

The Speaker appointed the following as

Monitors of the House.

First Divison. — Messrs. Gordon of New Bedford, McDonough of Boston. Monitors of the House.

Second Division. — Messrs. Merrill of Quincy, Mellen of Worcester.

Third Division. — Messrs. E. Sullivan of Boston, Gillespie of Boston.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Conant of Littleton, Brady of Lowell.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Carter of Lowell, Riley of Adams.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Gracey of Salem, McEttrick of Boston.

Drawing of Seats.

Under the rule, the House proceeded at once to the drawing of seats. Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Wales of Attleborough and Kimball of Fitchburg were appointed a committee to supervise the same. Drawing of seats.

The following-named gentlemen were severally allowed to select their seats before the drawing commenced: —

Mr. Gilman of Newton, on motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton.

Messrs. Slocum of Dartmouth and Marchant of Edgartown, on motions of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford.

Mr. Howland of Chelsea, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge.

Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston.

Mr. Brooks of Hanover, on motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem.

Mr. Hale of Taunton, on motion of Mr. White of Taunton.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, be requested to consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of a joint special committee on County Estimates. Joint special committee on County Estimates.

Allerton Building Company.

A Bill to incorporate the Allerton Building Company in Marblehead (introduced on leave in the Senate) came down referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee may deem expedient. The bill was read. Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the

Point of order.

point of order that the bill was obnoxious to Joint Rule 11, for the reason that the legislation asked for should be based upon a petition. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the bill was ruled out.

Order.

Abolishment of capital punishment.

The order offered yesterday by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River and laid over, relative to the appointment of a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, with such a number as the Senate may join, to consider the expediency of abolishing capital punishment in this Commonwealth, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 9, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

Mr. Gilman of Newton, a member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Gardiner of Raynham and Howland of Chelsea were appointed a committee, who conducted Mr. Gilman to the Council Chamber, and he having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Member qualified.

Change in Committee.

Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Election Laws, and Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington was appointed in his place.

Change in committee.

Statement of Estimates.

A statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1889 was received from the Auditor of Accounts, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Reports, etc., Received.

The following documents were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred as follows : —

Report of the Librarian of the State Library for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, and ninth annual supplement to the General Catalogue. To the committee on the Library.

State Library.

Fourth annual report of the Trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

Forty-first annual report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at South Boston for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at South Boston.

Thirty-fifth annual report of the Trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

State Almshouse at
Tewksbury.

Thirty-fifth annual report of the Trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

State Primary and Reform
Schools.

Tenth annual report of the Trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, with the annual reports of the Resident Officers, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Danvers Lunatic
Hospital.

Eleventh annual report of the Trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Northampton Lunatic
Hospital.

Thirty-third annual report of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

Thirty-fifth annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Worcester Lunatic
Hospital.
Worcester Insane
Asylum.

Fifty-sixth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and eleventh annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports Received.

Commissioners of
Prisons, —
Massachusetts
State Prison.

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, with the annual report of the warden and other officers of the institution. To the committee on Prisons.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Forty-sixth
Registration
Report.

Forty-sixth Registration Report : —

So much thereof as relates to libels for divorce was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

So much as relates to births, marriages and deaths, and returns of Medical Examiners, was referred to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence.

District Police.

Report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, including the inspection department and the detective department.

Returns of
Sheriffs.
Returns of
Registers of
Deeds.

Abstract of returns of sheriffs.

Abstract of returns of registers of deeds.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Polls, property,
taxes, etc.

Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1888. To the committee on Finance.

Petitions.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the following petitions received in his department, under the requirements of chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885. The communication was read, and the petitions were severally referred as follows : —

Petition of the city of Gloucester that the northwestern boundary line of said city may be established and defined. Gloucester.

Petition of the town of Pittsfield for an act constituting a city government in said town. Pittsfield.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

Petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as the Bass River Ship Canal Company. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Thomas H. Bacon, — Bass River Ship Canal Company.

Petition of the Dedham Water Company for amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric light and power, and also for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Manufactures. Dedham Water Company.

Petition of the Brockton Agricultural Society for authority to hold property in said city to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Brockton Agricultural Society.

Petition of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company that the time in which said road may be built be extended to April 1, 1892. New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company.

Petition of the Boston and Maine and Boston and Lowell Railroads for extension of time for excavating and filling flats on Mystic River and the erection of structures thereon. Boston and Maine R. R., — Boston and Lowell R. R.

Petition of D. Eldredge and others for a highway crossing over the Boston and Providence Railroad near Clarendon Hills. Highway over the Boston and Providence Railroad near Clarendon Hills.

Petition of the Boston and Albany Railroad for authority to increase its capital stock. Boston and Albany Railroad.

Petition of the Old Colony Railroad Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Old Colony Railroad Company.

Petition of T. I. Smith and others for authority to construct and operate a railroad from some point on the New York and New England Railroad in North Attleborough through the towns of North Attleborough, Wrentham, Norfolk and Walpole. Railroad through the towns of North Attleborough, Wrentham, Norfolk and Walpole.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Charlemont.

Petition of L. B. Rice, by H. Winn, attorney, for the relief of the town of Charlemont from expense of repairs to certain highways.

Bridge over the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Hampden County for additional legislation in relation to the construction of the bridge over the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mayall Pneumatic Carriage and Transportation Company.

Petition of Lucy A. and John C. Mayall for an act of incorporation as the Mayall Pneumatic Carriage and Transportation Company.

Reynolds T. White, — elevated railroad in Boston.

Petition of Reynolds T. White for authority to build maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston.

Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Frank E. Clarke, — elevated railroad in Boston.

Petition of Frank E. Clarke and others for permission to erect an elevated railroad one-half a mile in length, in Boston, for exhibition and other purposes.

Revere Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Revere Street Railway Company for leave to construct a railway upon private property.

Mayall Elevated Railroad Company.

Petition of Lucy A. and John C. Mayall for an act of incorporation as the Mayall Elevated Railroad Company, to be constructed and operated in Boston.

Charles C. Nichols, — elevated railroad in Boston.

Petition of Charles C. Nichols for permission to build, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston.

East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton.

Petition of the East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to lay and maintain tracks on Main Street in said city.

Newton Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Newton Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks beyond the city of Newton.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Division of Medford, — incorporation of the town of Brooks.

Petition of C. M. Barrett and others for a division of the town of Medford and the incorporation of a new town by the name of Brooks.

Division of Beverly, — incorporation of Beverly Farms.

Petition of D. W. Hardy and others for a division of the town of Beverly and the incorporation of a new town to be called Beverly Farms.

Ibid. Wenham and Beverly.

Petition of George H. Wyatt and others that a part of the town of Wenham and a part of the town of Beverly be incorporated as the town of Beverly Farms.

Petition of Warren G. Fay and others to have the easterly part of the town of Brookfield set off and incorporated as the town of East Brookfield. Incorporation of the town of East Brookfield.

Petition of Andrew McCabe and others that a portion of Randolph and Holbrook be set off and annexed to the town of Avon. Annexation of a portion of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon.

Petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton. Annexation of a portion of the town of Watertown to the city of Newton.

Petition of Martin Lincoln and others that so much of their estates as lie in Scituate may be annexed to Cohasset. Annexation of a part of Scituate to Cohasset.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Petition of the fire district of Pittsfield for authority to take water from various ponds in the towns of Pittsfield and Washington. Fire District of Pittsfield.

Petition of the North Adams Fire District for authority to take water from Broad Brook in Williamstown for the purpose of supplying said district and the inhabitants of the town of Williamstown with water. Water supply for the North Adams Fire District and the town of Williamstown.

Petition of Charles H. Willis and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town of Stockbridge with water. Water supply for the town of Stockbridge.

Petition of the town of Avon for authority to purchase a supply of water from the towns of Randolph and Holbrook. Water supply for the town of Avon.

Petition of the selectmen and water commissioners of Marblehead for authority to take land and water rights from within the limits of the city of Salem. Water supply for Marblehead.

Petition of the town of Reading for authority to introduce a supply of water from within the limits of said town, or by contract with the Wakefield Water Company. Water supply for the town of Reading.

Petition of the Revere Water Company for authority to take water from the Saugus Valley between North Saugus and Wakefield. Revere Water Company.

Petition of the Revere Water Company for authority to take water from driven wells in the town of Saugus. Ibid.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of Lydia M. Warner for the enforcement of the law for the establishment of a house of detention for women in the city of Boston. House of detention for women in the city of Boston.
Referred to the committee on Cities.

Women on
school com-
mittees.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of the National Women Suffrage Association of Massachusetts for legislation providing that one-third of the members of school committees in cities and towns shall be women. Referred to the committee on Education.

New Bedford
Real Estate
Association.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of J. Arthur Beauvais and others for an act of incorporation as the New Bedford Real Estate Association.

Yorick Club.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of George R. Richardson and others for an act to incorporate the Yorick Club.

Union Develop-
ment and Im-
provement Co.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, petition of G. W. Tucker and others for an act of incorporation as the Union Development and Improvement Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Nantasket M.
E. Church.

By Mr. Harrington of Hull, petition of the trustees and members of the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church for an act of incorporation as the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church Society of Cohasset. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Alice Cook.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, memorial of Alice Cook, and a petition in aid of the same, for compensation for the care of five insane paupers. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Northampton
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the Northampton Street Railway Company for an amendment of its charter.

Mack Elevated
Railway.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of William B. Mack and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of building and maintaining an elevated railroad upon the Mack system, so called.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Additional
water supply for
North Adams.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of S. Proctor Thayer and others for legislation to authorize the town of North Adams to make an additional water loan in aid of the North Adams Fire District, for the purpose of obtaining an additional water supply.

Williamstown
Water Com-
pany, —
Williamstown
Aqueduct Com-
pany.

By the same gentleman, petition of the Williamstown Water Company for authority to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise and property of the Williamstown Aqueduct Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe, that the Treasurer of the Commonwealth be authorized to pay them, from the Treasury of the Commonwealth, a certain sum of money due them out of the proceeds of the estate of the late Joseph Martin. Referred to the committee on Finance.

Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe.

By Mr. Means of Boston, petition of George H. Bond for the seat now held by John H. Crowley as Representative from the 14th Suffolk Representative District, and for a recount of ballots cast for representative in said district. Referred to the committee on Elections.

Contested election, — Fourteenth Suffolk Representative District.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prevent the disfranchisement of any legal voter in the Commonwealth because of change of residence from one town or city to another therein during the six months next preceding an election.

Disfranchisement of voters for change of residence.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to secure greater care in the delivery and transmission of telegraphic messages.

Delivery and transmission of telegraphic messages.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider what changes are necessary or expedient in the laws relating to the care of the insane and inebriates.

Care of insane and inebriates.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of revising the salaries in the Insurance Department.

Salaries in the Insurance Department.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section two of chapter two hundred and ninety-one of the Acts of the year 1885 as to make it obligatory on the stenographer to report civil cases only when requested thereto by counsel employed in the case or by the presiding justice.

Reports of official stenographers for the superior court.

Practice of
medicine.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of regulating by law the practice of medicine in this Commonwealth, so as to prevent, so far as may be, imposition upon the public by ignorant pretenders to medical or surgical skill.

Peremptory
challenges of
jurors.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the Statutes as to allow plaintiffs and defendants in civil actions a larger number of peremptory challenges of jurors.

Execution of
criminals, —
capital
punishment.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing more humane methods in the execution of criminals.

Certificate of
employment for
attendants of
evening schools.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending or repealing section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-eight of the Acts of the year 1888, or any part thereof, so as to provide that if a minor attends the evening schools he may have a certificate of employment notwithstanding his failure to attend school since reaching the age of thirteen.

Abolishment of
capital punish-
ment.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of abolishing capital punishment in this Commonwealth.

Attendance of
court stenog-
raphers in
criminal cases.

On motion of Mr. Paige of Amherst, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the law relative to official stenographers so that they shall attend all trials of criminal cases, be paid an additional per diem allowance, together with their actual expenses necessarily incurred while in attendance, as the case may be, and such other changes as may be deemed expedient.

Additional
terms of the
probate court
for the county
of Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law for the holding of additional terms of the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex, at Lowell, in said county.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further regulating the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and imitation butter. Oleomargarine.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, be taken from the files of last year and referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, —
intoxicating
liquors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of an amendment to the Constitution fixing therein the salaries of members of the General Court. Salaries of
members of the
General Court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of providing for a limit to sessions of the General Court. Limit of
sessions of
General Court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will make a legal holiday any day when any national or state election is held in this Commonwealth. Election day a
legal holiday.

A message was received from the Senate requesting the return to that branch of the bill to incorporate the Allerton Building Company in Marblehead. Allerton Build-
ing Company in
Marblehead.

The House acceded to the request, and Mr. Sohier of Beverly was appointed a committee charged with the duty to return the bill.

Subsequently the bill came down from the Senate with the endorsement "11th Joint Rule suspended, sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and the reference to the committee with instructions." The House concurred, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence : —

Petition of the State Grange of Massachusetts for the enactment of further legislation in relation to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter, and like compounds. To the committee on Agriculture. Oleomargarine.

City of Boston.
Consolidation of
certain execu-
tive depart-
ments into one
department.

Petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston that the mayor of said city be authorized to consolidate into one department such of the executive departments of the city government as he may deem advisable, etc. To the committee on Cities.

Lenox Club.

Petition of the Lenox Club of Lenox for an increase of its capital stock.

Magnolia Im-
provement
Company.

Petition of Charles P. Coffin and others for an amendment to the charter of the Magnolia Improvement Company.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Braintree
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of R. F. Randall and others that neither the Braintree Water Supply Company nor the town of Braintree shall be liable for the taking of water, under, and by virtue of, an Act of the Legislature of 1886, to any persons or corporations for the purposes named in this act.

Ibid.

Petition of Benjamin F. Dyer and 450 others, residents of Braintree, for an act confirming the right of the Braintree Water Supply Company to take water from its "filter gallery," and for other legislation.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

On motion of Mr. Henry of Fall River, at nineteen minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 10, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The Fifth Annual Report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts was received, and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Civil Service Commissioners.

Changes in Committees.

Mr. Wilcox of Pittsfield, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and Mr. Sanger of Boston was appointed in his place.

Changes in committees.

Mr. Keane of Holyoke, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Woman Suffrage, and Mr. Rogers of West Newbury was appointed in his place.

Petitions.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of the city of Fall River for legislation to enable said city to appoint a Board of Registrars of Voters which shall not include the city clerk. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Registrars of Voters of the city of Fall River.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the New England Shoe and Leather Association for an amendment of its charter. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

New England Shoe and Leather Association.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, petition of Michael O'Neill that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Michael O'Neill.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, petition of the Trustees of the Episcopal Theological School of Cambridge for an amendment of its charter. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Episcopal Theological School of Cambridge.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of Willis A. Kingsbury, justice of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the justice of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol for an increase of salary.

Salary of clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol.

Salary of the
Treasurer of
Bristol County.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of George F. Pratt, Treasurer of Bristol County, for an increase of salary. Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Maintenance of
certain bridges
by the Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Rogers of West Newbury, petition of Eben P. Stanwood and others for such legislation as will place the debt and the cost of maintaining certain bridges upon the Commonwealth or upon the counties wherein such bridges are located. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

George L.
Wentworth.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of George L. Wentworth for legislation to confirm certain acts done by him as a justice of the peace. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital for an appropriation for said institution. Referred to the committee on Finance.

Orders.

Abolition of the
poll tax as a pre-
requisite for
voting.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —
Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitution of the Commonwealth so as to abolish the requirement of the payment of a tax as a qualification for voting.

Statue in Doric
Hall.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —
Ordered, That the committee on Library consider the expediency of changing the name of the bust in the alcove on the eastern side of Doric Hall, from Samuel Adams to George Washington, should they upon inquiry decide that it was originally intended for a likeness of the latter personage.

Sale of liquor
on Labor Day.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that places where intoxicating liquor is sold shall be closed on Labor Day.

Support of
criminals com-
mitted to insane
asylums.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending chapter 148 of the Acts of the year 1883 as to provide that criminals committed to insane asylums under the provisions of that act shall be supported by the Common-

wealth whether the asylum wherein said criminal is confined is a State lunatic hospital or some other public institution controlled by the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of amending chapter 92 of the Resolves of the year 1888 relative to authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation of the State Departments in the city of Boston, so as to extend the time for the presentation of plans; and also of increasing the appropriation therein made and of enlarging the authority and discretion now given by said resolve to the Governor and Council.

State House, —
better accommodations for
the State Departments.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 11 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes as to permit towns to raise money for the purpose of celebrating the quarter-millennial anniversary of their incorporation.

Celebration of
quarter-millennial anniversaries of the incorporation of towns.

On motion of Mr. Richards of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 4 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes that administration may be taken on the estate of a testator or intestate after twenty years from his decease.

Administration of estates after twenty years.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending chapter 290 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to make more certain the manner in which notices of appeals shall be served.

Manner of serving notices of appeals from Probate Courts.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary.

Appropriation bills.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, the

Report of the committee on Foreign Affairs of the Congress of the United States in relation to the proposed permanent exposition at Washington; and

Permanent Exposition of the Three Americas at Washington.

Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

Sundry documents relating to the celebration, on the 30th of April next, in the city of New York, of the one hundredth anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States,

Were severally taken from the table and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Counting of ballots before the close of the polls.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 16, chapter 299 of the Acts of the year 1884 so that precinct officers may be allowed to open the ballot-box and count the votes after one o'clock P.M. on the day of election.

Examination of securities in the hands of the Treasurer.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and witness the transfer of the same to the Treasurer and Receiver-General elect.

Salary of Secretary of the Civil Service Commission.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission.

Amendment to the Constitution, — Intoxicating liquors.

A Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage (taken from the Senate files of last year) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Petition of F. B. Sanborn for an investigation of certain acts of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Marlborough Police Court.

Petition of James F. J. Otterson, Clerk of the Police Court of Marlborough, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Boston and Albany Railroad.

Petition of the city of Cambridge for an act requiring the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to cease the carriage of freight to East Boston, on its branch tracks through said city, on and after January first, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one. To the committee on Railroads.

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, at seventeen minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 11, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Savings Banks was received and was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College for an additional yearly appropriation for said college. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in favor of the submission of an amendment to the constitution of the State in regard to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment,—Intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Pike of Topsfield, petition of the trustees of the Ministerial Fund of the First Parish in Boxford for authority to make loans of said fund outside of the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. First Parish in Boxford.

By Mr. Sohler of Beverly, petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for increased accommodation at the Lyman School for Boys. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Lyman School for Boys.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Florence W. Adams of Everett for such legislation as will enable her to receive remuneration during disability caused by overwork in the office of the State Commissioners for compiling the laws of the Province of Massachusetts Bay. Florence W. Adams.

By Mr. Tripp of Boston, petition of J. M. F. Howard and others that the salary of the clerk of the Municipal Court of the West Roxbury District may be increased. Salary of the Clerk of the Municipal Court of the West Roxbury District.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Abolition of the
common council
in cities of
150,000 popula-
tion or more.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation abolishing the Common Councils in all cities having a population of 150,000 or over and providing a scheme of government for such cities by a mayor and a single legislative chamber.

Separate ballot-
boxes for
women voters.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888 with reference to the use of separate ballot-boxes for women voting for school committees.

Enlistments in
the militia.

On motion of Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of further legislation concerning enlistments in the militia, and whether any changes are necessary in chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887 concerning the militia.

Preparation and
publication of
the provincial
laws.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing be instructed to investigate the work of the commission appointed under authority of chapter 43 of the resolves of the year 1865, to prepare for publication the Statutes and Laws of the Province and State of Massachusetts Bay, and report to the House the progress of said work; the probable further time required for completion of the same; the probable further cost thereof, and whether any legislation is necessary or expedient in relation thereto.

Salary of the
Fourth
Assistant Clerk
of the Superior
Court, Suffolk
County.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of establishing the tenure and compensation of the fourth assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business in the county of Suffolk.

Clerk of the
Chelsea Police
Court.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation providing for extra clerical assistance for the Police Court of Chelsea.

Railroad
corporations, —
mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Conant of Littleton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary to compel any railroad corporation in this Commonwealth to

accept in payment of fare on its road a mileage ticket issued by any other railroad corporation in this Commonwealth, and to compel all such corporations to sell mileage tickets at a uniform rate.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of giving to towns that now or may hereafter take water from great ponds for domestic, fire and other purposes, the same rights in the waters of said ponds as the Commonwealth now has.

Rights of towns to the waters of great ponds.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to forward a statement, in print, showing the result of the returns made under section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the vote upon granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the several cities and towns, together with a statement of the number of licenses of each class issued, and the amount received for the same by classes, and the number revoked.

Returns of votes upon the liquor question.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was, at the request of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, laid over until Monday, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Auditor of Accounts.

Salary of Auditor of Accounts.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending existing laws in regard to bail commissioners, to require that they may be appointed by the Governor and Council, and to regulate the number of such officers in the several counties, and their fees.

Bail Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for additional terms or times for the trial of criminal causes in the county of Norfolk.

Terms of the Criminal Court of Norfolk County.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 229 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to the transfer of stock in corporations, and providing by law that such transfers shall be recorded within a time limited.

Corporations, — transfers of stock.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, —

Commence-
ment of cases
over which Su-
perior and in-
ferior courts
have concurrent
jurisdiction.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that, in any action hereafter brought, of which the Superior Court and an inferior court now have concurrent jurisdiction, the same shall be brought in such inferior court, unless the plaintiff or his attorney declares on oath that he really believes that the plaintiff is entitled to recover, as damages alone, the sum of one hundred dollars.

Also that no judge of such inferior court, and no trial justice, shall commence any action in the Superior Court that may by law be returnable to such inferior court, or before such trial justice.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Powers and
jurisdiction of
Probate Courts.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of extending the provisions of section 4 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, concerning the jurisdiction of probate courts, to cases where the death of a person is involved; and of such other legislation as may be necessary concerning the administration of estates, and the powers and jurisdiction of probate courts.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —

Sessions of
Probate Courts
in the several
counties.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to probate courts so that more frequent sessions may be had in the several counties, and that citations may be made returnable at any of such sessions whenever and wherever held.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Leicester, —

Sessions of the
Probate Court
for the county
of Worcester.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the Public Statutes relative to holding additional sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Accounts of
guardians, trus-
tees, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law for the annual filing and auditing of the accounts of guardians, trustees, etc., in the various probate courts of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Malden, —

Election of a
United States
Senator.

Ordered, That Tuesday next, January 15, at half-past two o'clock P.M., be assigned for the choice (on the part

of the House) of a senator to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday of each week, it be to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M. Adjournment
over Saturdays.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, the petition of William Montgomery and others for the annexation of a part of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence. Stoneham and
Wakefield.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of transferring jurisdiction over part of Gallop's Island in Boston Harbor from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the United States Government. Gallop's Island.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of still further regulating the transportation of liquor. Transportation
of liquor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing separate quarters and separate or distinct treatment for dipsomaniacs, whether sentenced to the penal institutions or confined in the State asylums. Dipsomaniacs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of converting the strong wing of the Woman's Prison at Sherborn into a State Prison for Women convicted of serious offences. State Prison for
Women.

The following order was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on
Prisons.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend by inserting after the word "places" the words "within the limits of the Commonwealth." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Committee on
Railroads.

The following order was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by inserting after the word “places” the words “within the limits of the Commonwealth.” The amendment was adopted and the order, as amended, was adopted in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

The following order was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend by inserting after the word “places” the words “within the limits of the Commonwealth.” The amendment was adopted and the order, as amended, was adopted in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Lucy C. Morse.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Lucy C. Morse for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Lemira C. Pennell.

Petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain State officials. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Providence and
Worcester Rail-
road Company.

Petition of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company for authority to lease its roads, property and franchises to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company. To the committee on Railroads.

Uxbridge Water
Company.

Petition of George F. Day and others, on behalf of the Uxbridge Water Company, praying for an amendment of their charter granted by chapter 76 of the Acts of the year 1881. To the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on a order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year.

Ibid.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Bill making an appropriation to provide for deficiencies in current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year 1888. Read, and on motion of Mr. Lovell, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Westborough
Insane Hos-
pital.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, from the committee on the State House, on an order, a Resolve providing for plans for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Plans for the
better accom-
modation of the
State Govern-
ment.

On motion of Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, at twenty-one minutes before three o'clock, adjourned until Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 14, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were referred as follows:—

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

Fourth Annual Report of the Massachusetts Reformatory, containing the report of the Commissioners and the reports of the Superintendent and other officers for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888.

Commissioners
of Prisons,—
Reformatory
Prison for Wo-
men.

Eleventh Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, with the annual reports of the Superintendent and other officers.

Severally referred to the committee on Prisons.

State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

Tenth Annual Report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

House of Deten-
tion for Women
in the city of
Boston,—Police
Matrons.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation to require the Board of Police of the city of Boston to establish a house of detention for women in said city, and for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest.

New Public Li-
brary for the
City of Boston.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, petition of R. M. Morse, Jr., and 18 others, for an act to authorize the city of Boston to complete the new Public Library and borrow the necessary money.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

New England
Conservatory of
Music.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Education.

Woodcock,
quail and par-
tridge.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of John Maher and others for such legislation as will allow the taking and killing of woodcock from September 15 to January 1, and quail and partridge from October 1 to

January 1. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of John L. Potter and others for permission to erect a wooden structure over the waters of Fort Point channel. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Wooden structure over Fort Point channel.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, petition of the selectmen of Marblehead for an amendment to chapter 325 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Marblehead water supply.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation giving to women qualified to vote for school committee the right to vote in all town and municipal elections. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for such amendment of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from fourteen to eighteen years. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Age of consent.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Edwards of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of recommending the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than fifty-eight hours in a week.

Employment of minors and women in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 18 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that no conviction of a violation of the provisions of said chapters in regard to the illegal sale, or keeping for sale, of intoxicating liquors,

Intoxicating liquors, — convictions for illegal liquor selling.

shall be had upon the unsupported evidence of so-called "private detectives,"—not in the employ of national, State, municipal or town authorities,—who work for hire, and who are professionally and popularly known as "spotters."

Massachusetts,
— War of the
Rebellion.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as will promote the collection of material illustrating the part taken by the State of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion.

Use of machinery in the State Prison, Reformatories and House of Correction.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of so amending section 5, chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, as will promote the adoption of a progressive system of varied industries in our prisons, equipped with the most improved machinery, to be propelled by steam power, for producing on the public account such products as will not injure the free labor of our markets, or with such a provision that prison products shall not be sold in any of our markets where free labor is a competitor.

Insurance Commissioner's Report.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of publishing an increased number of the Insurance Commissioner's Annual Report.

Salary of the Auditor of Accounts.

The order, laid over from Friday, relative to increasing the salary of the Auditor of Accounts, was adopted.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Second assistant clerk of courts for Middlesex County.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex.

Manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings.

On motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings.

Introduced on Leave.

Dissolution of attachments.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, a Bill relating to dissolution of attachments. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Changes in Committees.

Mr. Conant of Littleton was, at his request, excused from serving on the committee on Banks and Banking, and Mr. Wood of Northborough was appointed upon said committee. Changes in committees.

Mr. Wood of Northborough, at his request, was excused from serving upon the committee on County Estimates, and Mr. Conant of Littleton was appointed in his place.

Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Engrossed Bills, and Mr. Bonney of Pembroke was appointed in his place.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of compiling, amending and revising the present laws relating to State and military aid, and embodying the same in a new act or acts. State and military aid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of enclosing, by proper fence or wall, all of the State Prison property at Charlestown. State Prison.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, so that towns shall annually be required to choose, or otherwise to establish, boards of health. Boards of health for towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider what amount, if any, is due W. S. Shurtleff, judge of probate and insolvency of Hampden County, who, by designation, discharged the duties of judge of probate and insolvency of Worcester County between the dates of Aug. 6 and Dec. 12, 1888. Shurtleff, W. S., compensation of, as judge of probate and insolvency of Worcester County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation providing for the payment, from the State Treasury, of the necessary personal expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College while in the discharge of their duties. Massachusetts Agricultural College.

A Bill to incorporate the Allerton Building Company in Marblehead, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading; and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Snow of Marble- Allerton Building Company in Marblehead.

head, it was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear Infirmary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for power to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Salaries of the
commissioners
of Hampden
County.

Petition of the county commissioners of Hampden County for an increase of salaries. To the committee on Public Service.

Discrimination
in freight rates
by railroad cor-
porations.

Petition of John F. Hemming for the repeal of chapter 225 of the Acts of the year 1882. To the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year.

Ibid.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the Statutes.

Ibid.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature, and for certain other expenses provided by law.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Better accom-
modations for
State depart-
ments.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for plans for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, ought to pass.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

State Pension
Agent.

On motion of Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, the Annual Report of the State Pension Agent was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the gov- Orders of the
Day.
ernment for the present year ; and

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, at twenty-seven minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 15, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.

The fifty-seventh annual report of the Trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, was received, and was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and sent up for concurrence.

*Petitions Presented.*Quincy, —
Boston.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of N. V. Titus and others that that part of Quincy known as Squantum, Moon Island, Little Moon Island and New Squantum may be annexed to and become a part of the city of Boston. Referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Crocker Hall, —
State Normal
School at Fram-
ingham.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of A. A. Miner for an appropriation of \$2,025 for furniture and sundry supplies at Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham. Referred to the committee on Education.

Shooting of
wild fowl.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of Eben F. Weekes and others for such legislation as will give to citizens the privilege between high and low water mark for the purpose of shooting wild fowl.

Leasing of
great ponds.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Allen Look and others for legislation providing for the lease of great ponds for the cultivation of certain fish.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Boston Chil-
dren's Friend
Society.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of the Boston Children's Friend Society for authority to hold additional real and personal estate. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mary Burns.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of Mary Burns for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Pillsbury of Boston, petition of James O. Otis, second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, for an increase of salary. Salary of second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, petition of the sheriff of Franklin County for an increase of salary. Salary of sheriff of Franklin County.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of Charles D. Jenkins for compensation for certain services rendered and expenses incurred by him in the service of the Commonwealth. Charles D. Jenkins.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of W. F. Byrne and others of Blackstone relative to amending section 6, chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, so that all court fees for naturalization of aliens shall be reduced. Fees in cases of naturalization.
Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation requiring the owners of dogs, before a license is granted for any such animal, to give to the proper town or city authorities a bond, with sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$100 or more, annually, for damage or injury that such licensed dog may do to the person of any citizen. Licenses for dogs.

On motion of Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquor for the same term. Liquor license bonds.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 24 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by adding these words in the second line after the word "minor:" "for his own use, the use of his parent, or that of any other person;" and, further, by adding at the end of the section these words: "Actions and suits for penalties and forfeitures under this section shall be commenced within six years after the offence is committed, and not afterwards." Sale of liquor to minors.

Distribution of
liquors in "no-
license" towns.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Topsfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are granted.

Commission to
investigate the
workings of the
prohibitory law
in the several
States and for-
eign countries.

On motion of Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of establishing a commission, of not more than three persons, to inquire into the practical working of license and prohibitory laws and constitutional prohibition, in the several States and foreign countries, and to report the results of their inquiries, in print, to the House, if in session, or to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, for the information of citizens.

Intoxicating
liquors, — cider.

On motion of Mr. Gilman of North Andover, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 219 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to defining what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquors, as to except cider from the provisions of said act.

Registered fe-
male voters for
school com-
mittee.

On motion of Mr. Brewster of Worthington, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be required to collect and report to the present Legislature, in print, the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1888, inclusive; also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Actions for
damages for
infringements of
patents.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 38 of chapter 161 of the Public Statutes that no attachment shall be made on a writ to recover damages for the infringement of letters patent, unless the validity of the patent has been sustained and the question of infringement determined by the judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.

Naturalization.

On motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of giving to each district court in the Commonwealth jurisdiction of primary declarations of intention of aliens to become citizens of the United States, and final applications for naturalization of aliens.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to naturalization, by striking out sections two, three and four, and reducing the court fees in section six of said act. Naturalization.

On motion of Mr. Bonney of Pembroke, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to provide that every town shall, at its annual meeting, choose by ballot one or more auditors, who shall be sworn and shall not hold any other office. Auditors in towns.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of an assistant clerk for the Police Court of Lowell. Police Court of Lowell.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of an assistant clerk for the Municipal Court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston. Assistant clerk for the Charlestown Municipal Court.

On motion of Mr. Stover of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 122 of the Public Statutes so as to oblige, in certain cases, any person owning a right of way across the land of another to release and discontinue said right of way, upon the payment of such compensation as may be equitable and just. Rights of way over another's land.

On motion of Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the powers and duties of the commissioners of wrecks and shipwrecked goods, by striking out all after the word "more," in the sixth line thereof, to the word "immediately" in the seventh line of said section. Wrecks and shipwrecked goods.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing that the sessions of the Probate Court for Plymouth County shall hereafter be held only in Plymouth and Brockton. Sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth.

Contested
election, —
George H.
Bond.

On motion of Mr. Heslan of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Elections be authorized to send for persons and papers in the matter of the petition of George H. Bond for the seat now held by John H. Crowley, as Representative from the 14th Suffolk Representative District.

Hour of meet-
ing.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —
Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Introduced on Leave.

Dogs.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to dogs.

Assistant clerks
of courts.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to assistant clerks of courts.

Severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

William J.
Savage.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Topsfield, the petition of William J. Savage of Boxford for compensation for rent of land used by the Forty-seventh Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers in 1862, and for damage done to his fences, was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Sale of intoxicating
liquors
by druggists.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries, as to render the law in "no-license" towns permissive and not mandatory.

Adulteration of
food.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such legislation in the interest of the public health as will tend more effectually to prevent the adulteration of food and the sale of food which is adulterated.

Jail and house
of correction for
Nantucket
County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of abolishing the jail and house of correction at Nantucket and providing for new accom-

modations for prisoners of Nantucket County, either by a new jail and house of correction or by arrangement with Dukes County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of ordering the erection of a new jail and house of correction in Nantucket County. Jail and house of correction for Nantucket County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for a house of correction at Edgartown in Dukes County, for the use of Dukes and Nantucket counties. House of correction in Dukes County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the two branches of the Legislature assemble in joint convention on Wednesday, the sixteenth day of January instant, at twelve o'clock meridian, for the purpose of comparing the journals of the two branches and performing all acts and things necessary and proper to be in joint convention performed, in relation to the election of a person to represent the State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senator in Congress. Election of United States Senator.

The following papers were referred, in concurrence:—

Annual report of the Cattle Commissioners. To the committee on Agriculture. Cattle Commissioners.

Petition of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts for an appropriation of twenty thousand dollars to assist in defraying the expenses of supporting and maintaining the Home during the ensuing year. To the committee on Military Affairs. Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Remonstrance of Asa French and 215 others, legal voters and tax payers of the town of Braintree, against any legislation granting additional rights or powers to the Braintree Water Supply Company. To the committee on Water Supply. Braintree Water Supply Company.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Making an appropriation to provide for deficiencies in current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year 1888 (which originated in the House); and Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Allerton Building Company in Marblehead (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year ;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing indexes relating to the Statutes ; and

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature, and for certain other expenses provided by law ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for plans for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston was read a second time and considered. Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend by striking out in the thirteenth line the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may." Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend by inserting in the sixteenth line, after the word "council," the words "unless it should appear to be detrimental to the interests of the Commonwealth." Pending these amendments, and pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, recommitted to the committee on State House.

The Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Point of order.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Perkins of Cambridge moved to amend by striking out, in the clause relating to the compensation of Senators, the words "thirty thousand seven hundred and fifty," and inserting in place thereof the words "forty-one thousand." Mr. McCall of Winchester raised the point of order that the amendment was not in order, for the reason that it was beyond the scope of the order on which the bill was reported. The Speaker declared the

point not well taken. The amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Special Assignment.

At half-past two o'clock the special assignment was taken up, being the election on the part of the House of a United States Senator for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

Election of
United States
Senator on the
part of the
House.

The roll was called, with the following result:—

Vote for United States Senator.

The following-named members voted for George F. Hoar of Worcester:—

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Cannell, Joseph H.
Albree, John	Carpenter, George N.
Alden, Jared F.	Carter, Charles E.
Atherton, Horace H.	Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Church, Moses D.
Ayres, George	Clemence, George L.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Conant, Nelson B.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Connell, Thomas H.
Barker, Thomas E.	Conwell, David
Barnes, Franklin O.	Cook, Louis A.
Barrett, William E.	Crane, Robert B.
Bennett, John O.	Crowell, Joshua
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Curtis, Francis C.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Cutler, Nahum S.
Bixby, Charles C.	Cutting, George W.
Bliss, George	Dallinger, Frank W.
Blodgett, Percival	Dame, Luther
Blume, Andreas	Davis, Epes
Bond, Nelson F.	Davis, Joshua H.
Bonney, J. Dean	Dearing, T. Haven
Botum, John B.	Dewey, Henry S.
Bowerman, Joshua L. D.	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Bowman, Robert H.	Douglas, William S.
Brewer, Edward W.	Dubuque, Hugo A.
Brewster, Charles K.	Eldridge, Albert R.
Brooks, A. Olin	Ferren, Myron J.
Brooks, Horace S.	Foote, Charles N.
Brooks, William H.	Fottler, Jacob
Brown, Edward F.	Frost, Henry
Brown, Orland J.	Gardiner, Charles B.
Burgess, John H.	Giddings, Theodore
Call, Charles A.	Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Gilman, Thomas K.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Harris, Robert O.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Holbrook, John D.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Howland, Willard
 Hutchinson, John F.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Leach, William W.
 Lincoln, James D.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Mendall, Noah F.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Morison, Frank
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, William H.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Packard, John B.

Messrs. Paige, Frank E.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perry, Charles
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pierce, John N.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Preble, William H.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Richmond, Albert E.
 Ripley, John B.
 Rogers, George C.
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Smith, Henry O.
 Sohler, William D.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Sprout, William B.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stearns, George C.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 White, William L., Jr.

Messrs. Wilkins, John H.	Messrs. Worth, Ira A.
Witt, Charles T.	Wyckoff, William A.
Wood, Samuel	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Woodward, Charles F.	

The following-named members voted for Patrick A. Collins of Boston : —

Messrs. Alden, Thomas	Messrs. Littlefield, Stephen S.
Allen, Richard B.	McCooley, Thomas
Atherton, Ralph L.	McDonald, Peter J.
Barry, Richard M.	McDonough, John H.
Beck, Walter P.	McDonough, John J.
Brady, Peter J.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Burke, James J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Carroll, Peter T.	McLaughlin, Daniel
Clayton, Horace E.	McNary, William S.
Coveney, John W.	Mellen, James H.
Cronin, James M.	Monahan, William H.
Crowley, John H.	Moore, Michael J.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Morse, I. Porter
Duggan, Thomas H.	Murphy, William H.
Eddy, Lyman R.	Nolan, Joseph
Edwards, John	O'Mealey, John W.
Eldredge, George D.	O'Neil, John W.
Garvey, Michael J.	Parks, Oren B.
Gillespie, John F.	Perkins, George A.
Gould, John B.	Pillsbury, Omer
Heslan, John E.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Howard, John F.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Riley, Thomas
Kemp, Horace G.	Snow, Thomas
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Stafford, John H.
Kimball, Henry A.	Sullivan, John H.
Lally, James, Jr.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Leary, Edward J.	Wilcox, Charles M.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Montessoro T. Allen, Charles H. Bennett, Francis T. Berry, George Eldridge, Thomas G. Farren, William F. Ferry, William S. Hixon, Thomas J. Keliher, David B. Kempton, Edward M. Nichols, Francis H. Raymond, Irving L. Russell and A. Cranston Thompson. — 13.

The Speaker thereupon announced the result of the vote as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	227
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	114
GEORGE F. HOAR of Worcester had	.	.	.	.	171
PATRICK A. COLLINS of Boston had	.	.	.	.	56

Whereupon the Speaker announced that George F. Hoar of Worcester had received a majority of the votes cast, and was elected on the part of the House as Senator of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, at twenty-three minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 16, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petitions of the Boston Women's Educational and Industrial Union; and of the Young Travellers' Aid Society and others, — severally, for legislation to require the board of police of the city of Boston to establish a house of detention for women in said city, and for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest.

House of detention for women in the city of Boston, — police matrons.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of citizens of Provincetown; and by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of citizens of West Harwich, — severally, for the privilege between high and low water mark of shooting wild fowl.

Wild fowl.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Charles H. Lynch and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the fines system in cotton, silk and woollen factories.

Fines system in factories.

By the same gentleman, petition of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor for State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day.

Hours of labor for State, city, county and town employees.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Henry J. Gardner and others that a law be passed prohibiting the sale of liquor on Labor Day. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Sale of liquor on Labor Day.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Housatonic Railroad Company.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, remonstrances of Samuel C. Lawrence and 511 others of the town of Medford against any division of said town. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Division of Medford.

Town of Westfield.

By Mr. Crane of Westfield, petition of the town of Westfield for authority to issue additional water bonds. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Municipal suffrage for women.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of John J. Highland and others; and by Mr. Bowman of Boston, petition of Drucilla G. Tuttle, — severally, for legislation enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Glenwood Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, petition of the Glenwood Cemetery Association for such legislation as will legalize the acts of said association for the years 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887 and 1888. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

Biennial elections.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections of State officers.

Journals of the Senate and House for public libraries.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of supplying to the free public libraries in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth copies of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Bankrupt law.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of adopting resolutions recommending to Congress the early passage of a bankrupt law.

Violations of the law relating to intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Oakman of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 18 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes that the penalty for the violation of the provisions of said chapter, and the several acts in amendment thereof, shall be fine and imprisonment.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 6 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes that all owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of the premises to be licensed shall have notice of the application for license served upon them in person.

Notice of application for licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county to aid in the enforcement of the liquor law.

County agents for the enforcement of the liquor law.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of forbidding minors to loiter upon premises where intoxicating liquors are sold, under penalty of fine or imprisonment.

Minors loitering upon premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law be instructed to procure from the clerk of the municipal court of Boston the number of liquor cases that came before the said court for the year 1888, also the names and number of said cases that the judges of the said court refused to exercise jurisdiction over, and report to the Legislature within ten days.

Number of liquor cases before the municipal court in the city of Boston during 1888.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no women and no person who is a minor shall be employed in any capacity upon premises where the sale of intoxicating liquor is the principal business carried on.

Women and minors employed where intoxicating liquors are sold.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation providing that all persons who are injured in their person, property or means of support, by reason of the intoxication of any person, shall be compensated or reimbursed for their loss or suffering out of the money received from license fees, and as to providing some tribunal to receive and pass upon such claims.

Compensation for injuries caused by intoxicated persons.

Liquor dealers
as jurors in the
trial of liquor
cases.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no person whose business is the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquor, either on his own account or on the account of any other person, shall be competent to sit as a juror in the trial of cases arising under the liquor laws.

Penalty for sell-
ing liquor to
minors.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending the Act that defines the penalty for selling or giving liquor to a minor that it shall be both fine and imprisonment.

Improvements
of leased lands.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation for the further protection of citizens who make improvements on leased lands. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Criminal pro-
cedure.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to criminal procedure that judgment shall be entered and sentence passed and awarded, notwithstanding the taking and allowance of exceptions, unless the presiding judge or some justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall certify that in his opinion there is so much doubt as to the questions raised thereby as to render it expedient to stay judgment until the final decision of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Poor debtors.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of adopting such legislation as will provide that courts be authorized to inquire into the circumstances of a debtor on a judgment recovered for necessities, and to enter an order or decree compelling him to pay such judgment by instalment or otherwise, after supporting himself and family. And in case such debtor neglect or refuse, without justifiable cause, to comply with such order or decree, that the court may proceed against him as for contempt.

Rights of hus-
band or wife in
deceased hus-
band's or wife's
real estate.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of such legislation as shall authorize and empower probate courts to hear and

determine the right of a husband or wife to an estate in fee in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband under the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of chapter 124 of the Public Statutes, and to make decrees which, when recorded, shall be effectual to vest the title to such real estate in such husband or wife.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Public Charitable
Institutions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Water Supply.

A Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States (reported on a portion of the Governor's address), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Centennial celebration of the
inauguration of George Wash-
ington as President of the
United States.

The following papers were referred, in concurrence : —

A message of His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted in 1888. To the committee on Prisons.

Pardons granted
by Governor
and Council.

A petition of the International Trust Company of Boston for the passage of an Act amending its charter for the purpose of increasing its capital stock, and authorizing it to hold real estate for the purposes of its business. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

International
Trust Company.

Petition of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society for the passage of the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. To the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Manufacture
and sale of
intoxicating
liquors.

Petition of Edward P. Pierce and others of Fitchburg for an increase of the salary of the justice of the police court of Fitchburg.

Salary of justice of police
court of Fitchburg.

Petition of George Leonard, clerk of the police court of Springfield, for an increase of salary.

Salary of clerk
of police court
of Springfield.

Salary of sheriff
of Hampden
County.

Petition of Simon Brooks, sheriff of Hampden County,
for an increase of salary.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Taken from the Table.

Board of
Registration in
Pharmacy.

On motions of Mr. Dearing of Braintree, the Third
Annual Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy ;
and the

Board of
Registration in
Dentistry.

Second Annual Report of the Board of Registration in
Dentistry ;

Were severally taken from the table, and referred to
the committee on Public Health and sent up for concur-
rence.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

At quarter-past eleven o'clock, on motion of Mr. Gordon
of New Bedford, the Speaker declared a recess until five
minutes before twelve o'clock.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
Day.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judi-
cial departments of the government during the present
year ;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public
documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and pre-
paring indexes relating to the Statutes ; and

Making appropriations for certain allowances author-
ized by the Legislature, and for certain other expenses
provided by law ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be en-
grossed and sent up for concurrence.

JOINT CONVENTION.

Election of
United States
Senator.

In compliance with the law of the United States, at
twelve o'clock meridian, the two branches of the General
Court met in

Convention

for the purpose of comparing the records of the two
Houses concerning the election of a Senator in the Con-
gress of the United States for the term of six years from
the fourth day of March next, inclusive. And the records

of the two Houses having been read, it appeared that George F. Hoar of Worcester had received a majority of all the votes in each House, and was elected. Whereupon he was declared by the President duly elected Senator to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States, from the fourth day of March next, inclusive.

Thereupon the two branches separated.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches notify His Excellency the Governor that George F. Hoar of Worcester has been duly elected by the Legislature as Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

Governor notified of election of George F. Hoar as Senator.

On motion of Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 17, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Reports Received.

Attorney-
General.

The annual report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 was received and was laid on the table.

Commissioners
on Inland Fish-
eries and Game.

The annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, was received and was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Abolition of
the poll-tax.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of John J. Doherty and others for such legislation as will abolish the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Shooting of
wild fowl.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of Joshua L. Hallett and others of Brockton for the privilege between high and low water mark of shooting wild fowl. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Hours of labor
of State, city
and town em-
ployees.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of W. P. Cherring-ton and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city and town employees at eight hours per day. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Barney
McCabe.

By Mr. Brady of Lowell, petition of Barney McCabe of Lowell that a certain sum of money be paid to him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth as back bounty. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Liens.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of the Bay State Lumber Trade Association for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to liens. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of requiring that persons arrested for drunkenness be detained until an investigation can be had to ascertain the character of the prisoner and whether he has been previously arrested for a similar offence, to the end that the court may be able to decide at the trial whether the defendant should be released, fined, imprisoned for a short or a long term, or committed to a reformatory institution.

Drunkenness.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of the appointment of a State Historian, whose duty shall be to collect and complete, ready for publication, a history of the part taken by the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the War of the Rebellion.

State Historian,
— Massachusetts soldiers
and sailors in
the War of the
Rebellion.

On motion of Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of establishing a State institution for the care, keeping and reformation of drunkards, and that persons arrested and convicted for drunkenness may be sent to said institution instead of to penal institutions in the Commonwealth.

State institution
for the
reformation of
drunkards.

On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the Chief Examiner of the Civil Service Commission.

Compensation
of the Chief
Examiner of the
Civil Service
Commission.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to the assessment of taxes, and in regard to the taxation of corporations doing business within this State.

Taxation of
corporations
doing business
within the
State.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 20 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to the larceny of fowls or poultry, that the penalty therefor may be increased.

Increase of
penalty for the
larceny of fowls
or poultry.

Island of
Nantucket.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation regulating and confirming the title to certain lands on the island of Nantucket.

Women as
special commis-
sioners to ad-
minister oaths,
and to take dep-
ositions and
acknowledg-
ments of deeds.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation making women eligible to appointment as special commissioners to administer oaths, to take depositions, and to take acknowledgments of deeds, as women who are attorneys-at-law may now be appointed.

Poll-tax bills.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 93 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that poll-tax bills shall show what portion of the poll-tax is assessed as State and county tax.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Intoxicating
liquors.

A petition of Alonzo A. Miner and others, in behalf of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance, for the repeal of all laws relative to the licensing of the sale of alcoholic liquors and the enactment of a stringent prohibitory law, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Reports of Committees.

250th anniver-
sary celebra-
tions of the
incorporation of
towns.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, authorizing towns to celebrate their 250th anniversary.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for a second assistant clerk of the courts for the county of Middlesex.

Second assistant clerk of the courts for the county of Middlesex.
George L. Wentworth.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of George L. Wentworth as justice of the peace.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe.

Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the New England Shoe and Leather Association to hold additional real and personal property.

New England Shoe and Leather Association.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, at fifteen minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 18, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

State Normal
School at
Framingham.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of A. A. Miner for an additional appropriation of \$200 for furniture and sundry supplies for Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham. Referred to the committee on Education.

Shooting of
wild fowl.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Elmer W. Hallett and others; and by Mr. Thompson of New Bedford, petition of W. L. Hallett and others, — severally, for the privilege between high and low water mark of shooting wild fowl. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Cider.

By Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, petition of Micah Le-land and others; by Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, petition of E. W. Chapin and others; by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of George Burdick and others; by Mr. Paige of Amherst, petition of Harry Crossman and others; by Mr. Brooks of Ashby, petition of Samuel D. Follett and others; by Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of R. Jaques and others; by Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of J. H. Walker and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of George Brooks and others; by Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, petition of Charles F. Cole and others; by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petition of M. F. Emerson and others; by Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, petition of A. A. Smith and others; by Mr. Conant of Littleton, petition of Edwin Gould and others; and by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of S. W. Frost and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Annie Hines.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of Annie Hines for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, petition of the First Parish in Ashland for legislation to confirm the title and acts of said society. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

First Parish in Ashland.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for power to take and abolish private grade crossings. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Boston and Albany Railroad Company.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, petition of the Framingham Union Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize them to issue coupon or registered bonds and to make a mortgage to secure the same. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Framingham Union Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Patridge of Upton, petition of Adams Fiske and others; by Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, petition of Caroline S. Cushman and others; by Mr. Means of Boston, petition of George J. Moulton and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of Louisa Wood and others; and by Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, petition of Jonathan Drake and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for biennial sessions of the Legislature.

Biennial sessions.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation limiting and regulating the use of money in elections, and in securing nominations to office; also requiring persons contributing to campaign funds in excess of a limited amount, to file a statement with some public officer setting forth the amount and purpose of the contribution, and the persons expending such funds to file a similar statement setting forth the manner in which the same were applied.

Use of money in elections.

Justices of the peace,—intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of giving to justices of the peace the same powers as constables in the enforcement of the liquor laws.

Sureties on liquor license bonds.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no person engaged in the liquor traffic, or having a business interest in said traffic, shall be accepted as surety on the bond of any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquor.

Prosecuting attorney for the Commonwealth in criminal cases in the municipal courts of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Norcross of Medford, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney to represent the Commonwealth in the prosecution of criminal cases in the municipal courts of the city of Boston.

Intoxicating liquors,—search of persons.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 33 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so as to give authority to search the persons as well as the premises of those suspected of illegally selling, or keeping for sale, intoxicating liquors.

Liquor licenses.

On motion of Mr. Oakman of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to include the holders of fourth and fifth class licenses under the prohibition therein contained.

Relief of soldiers and sailors.

On motion of Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 438 of the Acts of the year 1888 relating to the relief, in cases of necessity, of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the Rebellion, and their dependent families.

Manual of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —
Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of having printed an extra number of Manuals of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol in Fall River.

Salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee consisting of the committees on Rules of both branches consider the expediency of publishing a legislative bulletin of the hearings assigned before the various committees of the Legislature and of such other announcements as they may deem necessary.

Daily bulletin of legislative hearings.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Gracey of Salem, was, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid over until Monday : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of making it an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment for persons to be found on premises where intoxicating liquors are illegally sold.

Intoxicating liquors,—liquor saloons.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bicknell of Boston, was, at the request of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, laid over until Monday : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no club for social or other purposes shall be incorporated under the general laws of the Commonwealth, unless first recommended by the board having power to grant licenses in the town or city where said club is to be located.

Social clubs.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 9, chapter 79 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1887, as to more definitely define what is meant therein by pauper inmates, and those committed under the provisions contained in section 5 of chapter 87, section 15 of chapter 213, sections 16 and 19 of chapter 214, and sections 10, 12 and 14 of chapter 222; and also of further defining and limiting the power given therein of transferring those persons from one State charitable institution to another, and of sending them to any place or State where they belong.

Pauper inmates of State charitable institutions and lunatic hospitals.

Clerkship for
the third dis-
trict court of
Worcester
County.

On motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County.

Common
nuisances.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes by making all persons therein named principals, as in section 7 of said chapter.

Libel.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation amending the law of libel so that the defendant may be permitted to rebut the presumption of malice in all cases, and providing a new measure of damages in cases where it is proved that malice did not exist.

Filing of
accounts by
trustees in pro-
bate courts.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of enacting a law which shall provide that it shall be the duty of every register of probate to notify administrators, executors, guardians and trustees, and all persons holding trusts under decree of probate courts who have not filed an account within one year, to present their accounts, with vouchers, to the probate courts which have jurisdiction over such trusts. Such notice shall be returnable within thirty days from the date of notice, and if any party so notified fail to comply with such notice, or to give satisfactory reason to the judge of probate for such failure, he shall be removed from his office by said judge of probate, and a successor appointed, after notice to all parties interested; and all judges of probate shall have power to appoint special administrators, trustees or guardians, to await the final appointment to office declared vacated under this act.

Introduced on Leave.

Treasurer
authorized to
borrow money
in anticipation
of the revenue.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, a Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Lovell, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 also having been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Agriculture.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to make an accurate trial balance of their depositors' ledgers as often as once in every year. Savings banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of requiring railroad companies in this Commonwealth having properties held in transit or unclaimed after transit, to publicly advertise the same, with full description thereof, and, when possible, to give direct notice to parties in interest of such detention, within reasonable time prior to any sale thereof; and of providing that such expense be paid, by the parties receiving the same, as shall have been incurred therein on articles claimed and delivered, as may be equitable and just; also of providing for times and places of such sales. Railroads, —
advertising sale
of unclaimed
freight.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lucy C. Morse for State aid, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Lucy C. Morse.

Reports :

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of R. F. Randall and others that neither the Braintree Water Supply Company nor the town of Braintree shall be liable for the taking of water, under, and by virtue of, an Act of the Legislature of 1886, to any persons or corporations for the purposes named in said Act; and Braintree
Water Supply
Company.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of Benjamin F. Dyer and others, residents of Braintree, for an Act confirming the right of the Braintree Water Supply Company to take water from its "Filter Gallery," and for other legislation; Ibid.

Were severally recommitted, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Massachusetts
Society for the
Prevention of
Cruelty to
Animals.

A petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for authority to hold additional real and personal estate was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department.

Ibid.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses.

Salary of the
justice of the
first district
court of
southern
Middlesex.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of southern Middlesex.

Northampton
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Northampton Street Railway Company to issue bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment thereof.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
day.

To authorize the New England Shoe and Leather Association to hold additional real and personal property ;

Providing for a second assistant clerk of the courts for the county of Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough ; and

To amend section 11 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, authorizing towns to celebrate their 250th anniversary ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of George L. Wentworth as justice of the peace ; and

In favor of Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States was read a second time and considered.

Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend in lines 7 and 8 by striking out the words, "seventeen thousand five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words, "thirty thousand." The amendment was adopted, by a vote of 111 to 22.

The same gentleman moved to amend in line 18 by inserting after the word "Commander-in-chief" the words, "and he is hereby requested to detail suitable organizations of the volunteer militia to represent the Commonwealth thereat," which amendment was adopted.

The same gentleman moved to amend in line 20 by striking out the word "five" and inserting in place thereof the word "ten," which amendment was adopted, by a vote of 81 to 43.

The same gentleman moved to further amend in line 21 by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty." The amendment was adopted, by a vote of 104 to 38.

After debate, the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading ; and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, the resolve was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, at twenty minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 21, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Communication Received.

The following communication, received from the Hon. George F. Hoar, was read and placed on file: —

SENATE CHAMBER, Jan. 18, 1889.

MY DEAR MR. BARRETT:—

Senator George
F. Hoar.

Be kind enough, as you have opportunity, to make known to your associates in the great historic assembly over which you preside, my deep sense of the honor it has done me in its recent vote. Certainly the beloved Commonwealth we all serve, noble in everything, especially shows her nobility in her treatment of those who serve her. She judges us rather by intention than by accomplishment. She leaves us all, unfettered, to obey our own conscience and judgment. Her service is perfect freedom. So much the more she lays upon us all a heavy burden of obligation and gratitude. So much the more she demands of us the consecration of all our powers to her interest and her honor.

I am faithfully yours,

GEORGE F. HOAR.

Special Report of Auditor.

Auditor of Ac-
counts,—ex-
penditures in
several depart-
ments in excess
of appropri-
ations.

The special report of the Auditor of Accounts of the expenditures in 1888, in several of the departments of the public service, in excess of the appropriations therefor, was received, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Petitions Presented.

Imitation dairy
products.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of Sterling Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, for the enactment of a law to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petitions of the New England Moral Reform Society and the Ladies' Physiological Institute of Boston, — severally, for legislation to require the Board of Police of the city of Boston to establish a house of detention for women in said city, and for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest.

House of detention for women in Boston, — police matrons.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of F. B. Crocker and others; by Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of J. M. Clark, Jr., and others: and by Mr. Dearing of Braintree, petition of Rodolphus Porter and 36 others, — severally, for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl.

Wild fowl.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, petition of Charles L. Bennett and others; by Mr. Russell of Douglas, petition of Charles W. Potter and others; by Mr. Connell of Dracut, petition of George T. Gilson and others; by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Sidney Lawrence and others; and by Mr. Beck of Milton, petition of David W. Tucker and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Cider.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of the American Linen Company of Fall River, for authority to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

American Linen Company.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of John W. Hallett and others against the abolition of the jail and house of correction in Nantucket. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Jail and house of correction in Nantucket.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of William N. Tyler, clerk of the first district court of eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary, and that he may be allowed an assistant; also, that he may be reimbursed for money already paid for assistance. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

First district court of eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of F. B. Sanborn and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and

Municipal suffrage for women.

affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrance of A. S. Hayward against the proposed change of the laws relative to the practice of medicine.

George C. Bosson.

By Mr. Stearns of Dedham, petition of George C. Bosson for legislation to confirm the acts done by him as a justice of the peace.

Execution of criminals.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of S. E. Howard and others for more humane methods in the execution of criminals.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Employment in public institutions of persons not native or naturalized citizens.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation forbidding the employment of male persons over twenty-one years of age, who are not native or naturalized citizens of the United States, in public institutions of any kind that are supported in whole or in part by this Commonwealth, and are under the management or direction of officers appointed by the Governor and Council.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Needham, —

Sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of prohibiting sales of intoxicating liquor by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Arrest of intoxicated persons.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as may prevent the fining or imprisonment of any person found intoxicated in any city or town in this Commonwealth where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed, providing said person is not disorderly or endangering the life or property of others at the time of arrest.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, —

Codification of the criminal laws.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of codifying the criminal laws of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing that justices of the peace, specially designated to issue preliminary warrants, be paid by stated salaries instead of fees in separate cases. Justices of the peace.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 34 of chapter 159 of the Public Statutes, in regard to petitioners for examination for admission to the bar as attorneys-at-law, so as to regulate the time of entering the petitions of said persons in court, and to provide for the assigning of a definite time and place for the examination of said petitioners. Petitions for admission to the bar as attorneys-at-law.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 25 of chapter 171 of the Public Statutes, relative to the set-off of executions between the same parties, as to provide that executions from courts of record, of whatsoever jurisdiction, may be set off one against the other; also, of so amending the second clause of section 27 of said chapter 171, as to provide that the assignment to a third person of any claim, judgment or execution, where the assignor, at the time of making said assignment, is a judgment debtor of the person alleged as debtor in the assignment, shall be null and void as to the amount of said last-named debtor's judgment. Set-off of executions between the same parties.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 80 of the Public Statutes so as to compel cities to establish boards of health. Boards of health in cities.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to the probate of testate estates, that notice shall be given by the probate court to all devisees and legatees of any devise or bequest. Notice to legatees or devisees of a devise or bequest.

The order, laid over from Friday, relative to making it an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment for persons to be found on premises where intoxicating liquors are Intoxicating liquors.

Social clubs.

illegally sold; and the order, laid over from Friday, relative to providing that no club for social or other purposes shall be incorporated under the general laws of the Commonwealth, unless first recommended by the board having power to grant licenses in the town or city where said club is to be located;

Were severally rejected.

Introduced on Leave.

Ownership of
real estate.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, a Bill to amend section 13 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the ownership of real estate for the purpose of taxation. Read and referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

On motions of Mr. Slocum of Newton, the fourth annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Coloring of but-
ter, cheese and
oleomargarine.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the coloring of butter, cheese and oleomargarine, by the use of annatto or other similar substances.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Soldiers and
sailors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 438 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that no person receiving support, in whole or in part, under the provisions of this Act, shall, in any sense, be deemed a pauper.

State House
Commission.

The annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Worcester Grange, No. 22, Patrons of Husbandry, for the enactment of a law to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. To the committee on Agriculture. Imitation dairy products.

Petition of O. P. Gaylord and others that the Public Statutes be amended so that cider shall not be subject to the provisions thereof relating to intoxicating liquors. To the committee on the Liquor Law. Cider.

Petition of the Holyoke Water Power Company for authority to increase its capital stock beyond its present limit, to an amount not to exceed one million two hundred thousand dollars. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Holyoke Water Power Company.

Petition of James L. Corthell and others for a change of name of the South Abington Baptist Church. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. South Abington Baptist Church.

Petition of the Boston Water Board for authority to lay water pipes to Long and Moon islands, and supply the same with Sudbury River and Cochituate Lake water. To the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Boston Water Board, — water pipes to Long and Moon islands.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Gilman of Newton, the vote whereby the resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States, was, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the resolve, Mr. Gilman moved to amend in line 20 by striking out the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word "five," and in line 21 by striking out the word "thirty" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteen." The amendments were adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Heslan of Boston, from the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George H. Bond, — contested election. George H. Bond, — contested election.

H. Bond for the seat now held by John H. Crowley as Representative from the 14th Suffolk Representative District, and for a recount of ballots cast for Representative in said district. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salary of the
treasurer of
Bristol County.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of Bristol County. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lucy C. Morse for State aid, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of southern Middlesex ; and

To enable the Northampton Street Railway Company to issue bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment thereof ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Providing for a second assistant clerk of the courts for the county of Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough ; and

To amend section 11 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, authorizing towns to celebrate their 250th anniversary ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of George L. Wentworth as justice of the peace ; and

In favor of Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, at five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 22, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Abstract of Returns of Liquor Licenses.

The abstract of returns received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, November, 1888, under the requirements of section 5, chapter 100, Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., was received, referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, and sent up for concurrence.

Abstract of returns of liquor licenses.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, petition of Edward Everett Hale and others that the school committee of Boston have authority to pension teachers who have served fifty consecutive years.

Pensioning school teachers.

By Mr. Hildreth of Boston, petition of J. F. Sullivan, mayor, and the school committee of Holyoke, for legislation to provide a place of confinement for truant children.

Truant children.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts for legislation to compel assessors of taxes to inquire at every house whether there are any women living therein who desire to be assessed a poll tax.

Assessment of women for poll tax.

By Mr. Plaisted of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry for certain legislation concerning state, city and town elections.

State, city and town elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of C. H. Nichols and others; by Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, petition of Leonard Barker and others; by Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of John W. Wedlock and others, — severally, for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl.

Wild fowl.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

State loan for building homesteads.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to enable laborers to build homesteads. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Sale of intoxicating liquor on Labor Day.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Warren Boyden and others that sales of liquor be prohibited on Labor Day.

Cider.

By Mr. Brewster of Worthington, petition of James D. Barnes and others; by Mr. Gould of Warren, petition of T. D. Sawtell and others; by Mr. Ripley of Granville, petition of H. M. Peebles and others; and by Mr. Kimball of Northampton, petition of W. D. Fuller and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Abington Business Club Building Association.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Henry B. Peirce and others for incorporation as the Abington Business Club Building Association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Julia A. Norcross.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of Julia A. Norcross for State aid.

John McDevitt.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of John McDevitt for the payment of a bounty for services in the United States navy during the late rebellion as a part of the quota of the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Clerical assistance for the second district court of Bristol.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of A. B. Leonard, clerk of the second district court of Bristol, for extra clerical assistance.

Salary of the justice of the third district court of Bristol.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of Alanson Borden, justice of the third district court of Bristol, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the district attorney of the middle district.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of the district attorney of the middle district for increase of salary.

By the same gentleman, petition of E. T. Raymond and others of Worcester that the salary of the clerk of the central district court of Worcester may be increased.

Salary of clerk of central district court of Worcester.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, petition of Charles H. Allen and 60 others for legislation restricting the practice of medicine to persons of good moral character and of adequate knowledge. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Practice of medicine.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1879 so as to provide for the payment of State aid to dependent widows of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

State aid to widows of soldiers and sailors.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as to make it an offence to break and enter, in manner described in sections 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, any dwelling-house, building, ship or vessel named therein, without the intent to commit any or either of the crimes or felonies recited in said section, and to provide a punishment for said offence.

Breaking and entering.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will require the Secretary of the Commonwealth, immediately after the approval by the Governor of any Act or of any Acts acquiring the force of law, which shall affect, change or add to the criminal law or procedure of the Commonwealth, to forward to each justice of the supreme judicial and superior courts, to the judges of each municipal, police and district court, to every trial justice and district attorney, or other official charged with the administration of criminal law in courts of law, a certified copy of said Act.

Notice of changes of the criminal law or procedure.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that in

Evidence in cases of abortion.

prosecutions under and for violation of the provisions of section 9 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, where the death of the woman results from the means therein described, the dying declarations of such deceased person shall be admissible in evidence.

Employers' liability.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, by inserting in section 1, and to be numbered clause 4, the words, "or by reason of the employment of incompetent fellow-workmen."

Licensing of female dogs.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of female dogs.

Distribution and descent of real and personal estate.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of altering, revising and codifying the laws relating to the distribution and descent of real and personal estate, and the proceedings relative thereto.

Amount of bond to be furnished by administrators.

On motion of Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes as to fix by law the amount of bond to be furnished, as there required, by administrators.

Notice of appointment and sale of real estate by executors, guardians and others.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law for proof of giving of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors, guardians and others.

The following order, offered by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, was rejected: —

Free passes on railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting members of the Legislature, and all State, county, city and town officers, from accepting free passes, and riding thereon, over any of the railroads within this Commonwealth.

Subsequently, Mr. Ferren moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order was rejected, which motion was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Gracey of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the order instructing the committee on the Liquor Law to consider the expediency of legislation providing that no club for social or other purposes shall be incorporated under the general laws of the Commonwealth, unless first recommended by the board having power to grant licenses in the town or city where said club is to be located. Social clubs.

The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, Mr. Preble of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "Liquor Law," and inserting in place thereof the word "Judiciary." The amendment was carried, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill in relation to sales and mortgages of trust estates. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sales and mortgages of trust estates.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns be authorized to employ a stenographer, and to make such reports in print as may seem to the committee necessary or expedient. Committee on Towns.

A report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising the salaries in the insurance department, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Revision of salaries in the insurance department.

A petition of Alfred Hemenway and others for an increase of the salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business in the city of Boston, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service. Salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business in the city of Boston.

A remonstrance of Jesse H. Jones and others against any amendment of the Public Statutes which would exempt cider from the present provisions of law relating to it, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law. Cider.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth.

Ibid.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Ibid.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls.

Ibid.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson.

Assistant clerk
for the police
court of Lowell.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell.

Boston Chil-
dren's Friend
Society.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Children's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

Episcopal The-
ological School.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 333 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal
School at Fram-
ingham.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Education, on petitions, a Resolve to provide for furnishing Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Legislative bul-
letin of com-
mittee hearings.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the joint special committee consisting of the committees on Rules of both branches, on an order, a Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings. Read, and on

motion of Mr. McDonough, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve, authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George H. Bond for the seat now held by John H. Crowley as Representative from the 14th Suffolk Representative District, and for a recount of ballots cast for Representative in said district, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

The Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of Bristol County was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the New England Shoe and Leather Association to hold additional real and personal property (amended on motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton) ;

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of southern Middlesex ; and

To enable the Northampton Street Railway Company to issue bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment thereof ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, at six minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 23, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Samuel Hillman.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of Samuel Hillman for an increase of annuity for injuries received in an explosion at Hoosac Tunnel. Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of John S. Nicholson and others for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Cider.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, petition of Shumway Goldthwaite, Sr., and others; by Mr. Packard of Conway, petition of George F. Alexander and others; and by Mr. Howe of Hubbardston, petition of B. D. Allen and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Old Ladies' Home Association in Haverhill.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, petition of the Old Ladies' Home Association in Haverhill for an amendment of its charter.

Allen Gymnasium Company.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of the Allen Gymnasium Company for an amendment of its charter.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Augusta A. Perkins.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Augusta A. Perkins that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Elizabeth Scott.

By the same gentleman, petition of Elizabeth Scott that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

William Jackson.

By the same gentleman, petition of William Jackson that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Geo. D. Morandus.

By the same gentleman, petition of George D. Morandus that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Alden of Duxbury, petition of Gurnet Bridge Company for an amendment of section 5 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1887, by striking out the last clause thereof, relative to the cost of repairing and maintaining the bridge across the waters of Duxbury harbor. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Gurnet Bridge Company.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of the officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston for legislation giving to said officers the same authority which constables now have to serve the processes of said court, and concerning the tenure of office of said officers.

Officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, petitions of James Dowling and others, and of William W. Greenough and others; and by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petitions of Charles L. James and others, and of R. M. Morse, Jr., and others, — severally, for legislation restricting the practice of medicine.

Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation requiring the Bureau of Labor Statistics to collect from the savings banks of the State the statistics of the deposits of the wage-earners, to the end that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the savings of the wage-earning people of the Commonwealth.

Savings banks, — wage-earners.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to place some restrictions on the sales of native wines.

Native wines.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be instructed to investigate the affairs of the State pension agent, and report to the Legislature within reasonable time.

State pension agent.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 438 of the

Dependent soldiers and sailors.

Acts of the year 1888 that the relief thereby authorized to be afforded dependent soldiers and sailors, or their widows and minor children, shall be paid them through other departments than the Overseers of the Poor or the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

On motion of Mr. Macfarlane of Lynn, —

Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing twelve hundred extra copies of the second report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry, for the use of the Board.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Board of Railroad Commissioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing for an additional number of copies of the report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, —

Clerical service in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the amount now allowed by law for clerical service in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Protection against accidents for employees on freight-trains.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation for the better protection against accidents for employees on freight-trains.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Female convicts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending existing law so that a female convict may be sentenced to confinement at hard labor in a jail, house of correction, or the Reformatory Prison for Women, for the same term of years as she might be confined could the sentence be executed in the State Prison.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Breaking and entering.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will make it an offence to enter, or break and enter, in the manner described in section 13 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, the buildings, ship or vessel named therein, but without the intent to commit any of the crimes or felonies recited in said section, and to provide a penalty for said offence.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws of this Commonwealth as to increase the penalty for larceny from express companies and other common carriers.

Larceny from express companies.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, was, at the request of Mr. Henry of Fall River, laid over until to-morrow : —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week, it be to meet on Friday at eleven o'clock A.M.

Hour of meeting on Friday.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill to provide for the filing of the copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels. Read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Foreign ships and vessels.

By Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, a Bill relating to the exemption from attachment or execution of property belonging to pensioners of the United States government. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Exemption from attachment or execution of property belonging to pensioners of the United States.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that, in addition to the usual legislative edition, five hundred copies of the report of the Commissioners on Topographical Survey be printed, for the use of said commission.

Commissioners on Topographical Survey.

The Senate Resolves relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States came down concurred in the House amendment, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the resolves were sent to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the United States Hotel Company for an amendment of its charter. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

United States Hotel Company.

Petition of George H. Tucker, treasurer of Berkshire County, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Treasurer of Berkshire County.

Newton Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of the Newton Street Railway Company for authority to purchase the Waltham and Newton Street Railway, and for other purposes. To the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Town of
Brooks.

Petition of E. E. Baldwin and others for the incorporation of the town of Brooks. To the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Extra clerical
assistance in the
Chelsea police
court.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extra clerical assistance in the Chelsea police court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Ibid.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth.

Ibid.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses.

Fourth assist-
ant clerk of the
superior court,
civil session, of
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill providing for a fourth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Crocker Hall at
the State Nor-
mal School at
Framingham.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for furnishing Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Michael O'Neill.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Michael O'Neill.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill to provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth. Insane criminals.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Resolves Passed.

Engrossed Resolves, relative to the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States (which originated in the Senate), were passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolves passed.

Orders of the Day.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday rejected the order relative to prohibiting members of the Legislature, and all State, county, city or town officers, from accepting free passes, and riding thereon, over any of the railroads within this Commonwealth, was lost. Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising the salaries in the insurance department, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 2 of chapter 333 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School ;

To authorize the Boston Children's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Bristol (its title having been changed by the

committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth was read a second time, and considered. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by striking out the clause relating to the appropriation for the State pension agent. After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, at two minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 24, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The annual report of the deputy tax commissioner; and the	Deputy tax commissioner.
Annual report of the treasurer and receiver-general;	Treasurer and receiver-general.
Were severally received and were laid on the table.	

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, petitions of Matilda Goddard and 15 others; and of S. R. Urbino and 30 others, — severally, for legislation providing that one-third of the members of school committees in cities and towns shall be women.

Women, — school committees.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Riley of Adams, petition of Philo W. Knox and others for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Cider.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of Albert C. Titcomb and others of Amesbury, Salisbury and Merrimac, that said towns may be relieved from the cost of maintaining and repairing certain bridges. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Amesbury, Salisbury and Merrimac.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, petition of Richard Sugden and others that the easterly part of the town of Brookfield be set off and incorporated as the town of East Brookfield. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Brookfield, — East Brookfield.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of giving municipal, police and district courts and trial justices power to empanel juries for the trial of cases arising under chapters 100, 101

Liquor cases, — juries.

and 102 of the Public Statutes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, —

Journals of the
Senate and
House of Repre-
sentatives.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of such legislation as shall specify the number to be printed and distribution of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, —

District police.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the number of the district police.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —

Employers'
liability, —
damages for
personal in-
juries.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, in reference to giving notice to employer, by parties claiming damages for personal injuries, where said employer is a partnership or a corporation, or is absent from the Commonwealth, or where the party injured is a minor.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Trials of crim-
inal cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prohibit any justice of a police, district or municipal court from sitting at the trial or hearing of any complaint in a criminal action or proceeding, if such justice has previously heard the complainant or any of his witnesses upon the subject-matter of such complaint.

On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, —

Compromise
between
devisees and
legatees under
wills.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 14 of chapter 142 of the Public Statutes that the supreme judicial court may authorize persons, other than persons named as executors in an instrument purporting to be the last will of a person deceased, to make the adjustment or compromise provided by said section, and such further amendment of said section as may be deemed expedient.

Hour of meeting
on Friday.

The order laid over from yesterday, that, when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week, it be to meet on Friday at eleven o'clock A.M., was amended, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, by striking out the

words, "eleven o'clock A.M.," and inserting in place thereof the words, "one o'clock P.M.," and, as amended, was adopted.

Changes in Committees.

Mr. Ferry of Springfield was, at his request, excused from serving as chairman of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and Mr. Thayer of Randolph, of said committee, was designated as chairman.

Changes in committees.

Mr. Conant of Littleton was, at his request, excused from serving upon the committee on County Estimates, and was appointed upon the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Ferry of Springfield was appointed upon the committee on County Estimates.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health.

Salary of secretary of State Board of Health.

A Bill to authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Revere Street Railway Company.

A petition from the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Experiment Station for an appropriation to enable them to erect a suitable building and apparatus for a department of vegetable physiology, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

Building and apparatus for vegetable physiology.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to the establishment of a State institution for the care, keeping and reformation of drunkards, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

State Institution for the reformation of drunkards.

Liquor cases
before the mu-
nicipal court of
Boston for the
year 1888.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, from the committee on the Liquor Law, in accordance with an order adopted by both branches, a report received from the clerk of the municipal court of Boston, containing the number of cases that came before the said court for the year 1888, also the names and number of said cases that the judges of the said court refused to exercise jurisdiction over. (See House, No. 45.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Gallop's Island.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, a Bill ceding jurisdiction to the United States government over a part of Gallop's Island in Boston harbor.

New Bedford
Real Estate
Association.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Real Estate Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Manual of the
General Court.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill providing for the printing and distribution of additional copies of the Manual of the General Court.

Insurance Com-
missioner.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill relative to printing additional copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner.

Trustees of the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Potter of Longmeadow, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide for the payment of the expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extra clerical assistance in the Chelsea police court, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;
Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

Providing for a fourth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk ; and the

Resolve to provide for furnishing Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend section 2 of chapter 333 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School ;

To authorize the Boston Children's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, at twenty-one minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 25, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Richard Eddy of Melrose.

Petitions Presented.

House of detention for women in Boston.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, petition of George B. Shattuck and others for legislation to require the Board of Police of the city of Boston to establish a house of detention for women in said city, and for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest.

Referred to the committee on Cities.

Cider and native wines.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of Henry H. Faxon of Quincy, praying for the prohibition of the sale of cider and native wines in no-license towns.

Cider.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of James Edgerton and others for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

New England Electric Exchange.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of P. H. Alexander and others for an act of incorporation as the New England Electric Exchange.

Oakland Garden Association.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, petition of The Oakland Garden Association for change of name, reduction of par value of its shares, authority to purchase additional real estate, improve and sell its real estate, and increase its capital stock.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Andrew McCormack.

By Mr. Edwards of Fall River, petition of Andrew McCormack for additional State aid.

Joseph Nagle.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Joseph Nagle that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Support of soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, petition of John H. Wells and others for an amendment to chapter 438 of the

Acts of the year 1888, relating to the support of soldiers and sailors and their dependent families.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of Willard W. Gray and others; by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of W. B. Pattison and others; by Mr. Turner of Malden, petition of Edwin T. Clark and others; and by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of George A. E. Reynolds and others,—severally, for legislation providing for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon lands, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land.

Collection of all revenue by a single tax on land.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, remonstrance of C. B. Crockett and 116 others against any division of the town of Medford.

Division of Medford.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Pierce of Hadley, petition of Elizabeth E. Ames and others for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from 14 to 18 years.

Age of consent.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Daniel Williams, clerk of municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 433 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to attendance at evening schools, so as to provide that 70 per cent. of attendance, for the yearly session of evening schools, shall be the minimum attendance for which employment may be had under said Act.

Evening schools.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 433 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide that any one wishing to take advantage of said section shall make applica-

Ibid.

tion to the school committee before the opening of the yearly session of the evening schools; but in no case shall a permit be given after the close of the evening school year, except in case of sickness which shall be certified to by an attending physician.

On motion of Mr. Brown of North Adams, —

Public health, —
connection of
buildings with
sewers.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to enable boards of health in cities and towns to abolish privies in such cases as they may deem necessary, and to compel persons owning buildings on streets through which is constructed a public sewer, to connect such buildings with such sewers, and such other legislation as may be necessary for the preservation of the public health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, —

Notice of laws
passed by the
Legislature.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation securing more prompt and efficient notice of laws passed by the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Salem, —

Liquor licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to the granting of licenses by the mayors of cities or selectmen of towns, by striking out the word “may” in the fifth line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word “shall.”

Papers from the Senate.

Guaranty fund
of mortgage,
loan and invest-
ment compa-
nies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 387 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to the guaranty fund of mortgage, loan and investment companies, by inserting the words “hereafter established” after the word “corporation” in the first line of said section.

Savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1884, relative to the places in which savings banks shall transact their business.

Committee on
Drainage.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Drainage be authorized to visit such places within the limits of

the Commonwealth as, in their judgment, the proper discharge of their duties may require.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider what legislation, if any, is necessary, relative to the duties of health officers and boards of health. Health officers and boards of health.

The following order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation requiring the Bureau of Labor Statistics to collect from the savings banks of the State the statistics of the deposits of the wage-earners, to the end that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the savings of the wage-earning people of the Commonwealth, — Savings banks, — wage earners.

Adopted by the House and sent up for concurrence, came down amended by striking out the words, “committee on Labor,” and inserting in place thereof the words, “committee on Banks and Banking.” The House non-concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company for authority to lease its roads, property and franchises to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, was recommitted, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Providence and Worcester Railroad Company.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of William B. Mack and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of building and maintaining an elevated railroad on the Mack system, so called, was recommitted, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. William B. Mack, — elevated railroad.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to examining into the condition of the securities in the hands of the treasurer and receiver-general, and to witnessing the transfer of the same to the treasurer and receiver-general elect, that they have found the condition of the securities satisfactory and to correspond with the schedules thereof, and that they Treasurer and receiver-general.

have witnessed the transfer of the same to the treasurer and receiver-general elect, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Reports :

Committee on
County Estimates.

Of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, on the order relative to providing for the appointment of a joint special committee on County Estimates, that it is inexpedient to provide for the appointment of such a committee ; and

Joint rules.

Of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, recommending the adoption of sundry joint rules for the Senate and House of Representatives (Senate, No. 15) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Imitation dairy
products.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :
Petitions of Sutton Grange, No. 109, Patrons of Husbandry, and of North Brookfield Grange, No. 132, Patrons of Husbandry, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Worcester, city
of.

Petition of the mayor of Worcester that said city be authorized to make an additional water loan. To the committee on Cities.

American Hu-
mane Educa-
tion Society.

Petition of George T. Angell and others for an act of incorporation as the American Humane Education Society. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Uxbridge
Water Com-
pany.

Remonstrances of Gideon M. Aldrich and 92 others, and Moses Taft and others, — severally, against granting the petition of the Uxbridge Water Company for an amendment of its charter. To the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Evening
schools, — cer-
tificates of
employment.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to amending or repealing section 7 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, or any part thereof, so as to provide

that if a minor attends the evening schools he may have a certificate of employment notwithstanding his failure to attend school since reaching the age of thirteen, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of George C. Bosson as justice of the peace.

George C.
Bosson.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters.

Appropriation
bill, — inland
waters.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield.

Salary of the
clerk of the
police court of
Springfield.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relative to printing additional copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner ought to pass.

Insurance Com-
missioner.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Bill providing for the printing and distribution of additional copies of the Manual of the General Court ought to pass.

Manual of the
General Court.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill, making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, submitting a statement received from the clerk of the municipal court of Boston, containing the number of cases that came before the said court for the year 1888, also the names and number of said cases that the judge of the said court refused to exercise jurisdiction over, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill ceding jurisdiction to the United States government over a part of Gallop's Island in Boston harbor was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

Providing for a fourth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk ; and the

Resolve to provide for furnishing Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Real Estate Association was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the orders of the day were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell.

Death of a Member.

Death of a member.

Mr. Brewster of Worthington announced the death of Joshua L. D. Bowerman of Lanesborough, Representative from the Third Berkshire District, and moved that a committee of five be appointed to attend the funeral and draft resolutions in honor of deceased.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed the following gentlemen as the committee: Messrs. Brewster of Worthington, Giddings of Great Barrington, Riley of Adams, Foote of Lee and McDonald of Pittsfield.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Brewster, at twenty-two minutes before two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 28, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolutions Presented.

The Speaker presented resolutions adopted by the Common Council of the city of Boston, concerning the proposed representation of the State at the coming centennial celebration, at New York, of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States, which were read, and, after debate, were placed on file, by motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester.

Centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, petition of Frank C. Howes and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other compounds in imitation of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Imitation butter.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, remonstrances of Alonzo B. Veeder and others, citizens of Gosnold, and of James A. Mayhew and others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the lobster fishery.

Lobster fishery.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of A. J. Bailey and others for legislation to prohibit the baiting of wild duck.

Wild duck.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of William B. Birtwell and others of New Bedford for the enactment of a law to abolish the fine system in weaving rooms in textile industries. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of Benjamin Pitman and others for incorporation as the Columbian Associates, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a public hall in the city of Lynn.

Columbian Associates of Lynn.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of the Granite Mills of Fall River for an amendment of its charter, to authorize an increase of capital stock.

Granite Mills of Fall River.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Railroad from
Plymouth to
Bourne.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of William A. Nye and others for a charter to operate and construct a railroad from the town of Plymouth to the town of Bourne. Referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Age of consent.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Mrs. C. W. Nickerson and others; by Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, petition of Mrs. J. Bowker and others; by Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, petition of Hattie E. Holt and others; by Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Fannie F. French and others; and by Mr. Atherton of Saugus, petition of Mrs. G. W. Mansfield and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from fourteen to eighteen years. Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Deposits made
in savings banks
under direction
of probate
courts.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending section 19 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes that the limitation therein contained shall not apply to money deposited, or that shall be deposited, in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate, under the direction of a probate court, by virtue of the provisions of section 16 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, —

School commit-
tee of the city of
Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so changing the laws relating to school committees as to give the school committee of the city of Boston the entire authority to determine the location of, and to purchase the land for, school-houses and school-yards; to build, repair and maintain said school-houses, and to have the entire charge of heating, lighting and providing for the care of the same.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, —

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School buildings at Bridgewater, and for such additional equipment as may be necessary for the use and occupancy thereof.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing that it shall be unlawful for any individual, firm or corporation, to employ any person under eighteen years of age for the care, custody or running of any freight or passenger elevator; and that a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars be affixed to a violation of the law providing such employment.

Employment of minors on passenger elevators.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the district court of Eastern Hampden.

Justice of the district court of Hampden.

On motion of Mr. Hale of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing additional clerical aid in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for Bristol County.

Register of probate and insolvency for Bristol County.

On motion of Mr. Garvey of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of further legislation to secure the correct and complete assessment of shares of stock in corporations incorporated under the laws of other States, where such shares are owned by residents of this Commonwealth.

Assessment of shares of stock in foreign corporations.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884, concerning conditional sales of furniture and other household effects, whether the contract is in the form of a lease, or otherwise.

Conditional sales of furniture and other household effects.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall relieve sureties on bonds given to dissolve attachments, where the defendant has received a discharge in insolvency, in proceedings commenced within four months after the date of such attachment.

Sureties on bonds, — insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that any town, city or county which erects or causes to be erected catch-basins or cess-

Catch-basins or cesspools.

pools for the purpose of collecting water from the surface of highways, shall be liable to owners of lands adjoining, for damages and injury to such lands arising out of the escape of water from such catch-basin or cesspool, in consequence of the defective construction of, or want of proper care in maintaining, such catch-basin or cesspool.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Disposition of
legacies
bequeathed to
minors having
no legal
guardian.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law that whenever a legatee under the provisions of a will duly proved in the probate court is under the age of twenty-one years, and has no legal guardian, the court may, on being satisfied of said facts, direct the legacy due to such person to be deposited or invested in the manner set forth in section 16 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes, and subject to the provisions thereof.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, —

Postage and
expressage on
documents.

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of providing by law such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of postage and expressage on documents forwarded to members of the General Court, to be expended under the direction of the Sergeant at-Arms.

The following order, offered by Mr. Morison of Boston, was, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, laid over until to-morrow : —

Allen
passengers.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending the law in relation to alien passengers landing in this Commonwealth, so as to provide for their better protection en route, and the reimbursement of the Commonwealth and cities and towns for expenses incurred in caring for such immigrants as may fall sick, or who for any cause become a public charge after landing; and also to provide for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed in the carrying of such passengers.

Paper from the Senate.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of electrotyping the report of the commissioner of public records of parishes, towns and counties, authorized by chapter nine of the Resolves of eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, and of printing and binding twenty-five hundred extra copies of said report.

Report of Committee.

By Mr. Sohler of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Hampden. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the sheriff of the county of Hampden.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill, making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, on the order relative to providing for the appointment of a joint special committee on County Estimates, that it is inexpedient to provide for the appointment of such a committee ; and

Orders of the Day.

Of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, recommending the adoption of sundry joint rules for the Senate and House of Representatives ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield ;

Relating to printing additional copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

Providing for the printing and distribution of additional copies of the Manual of the General Court ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of George C. Bosson as justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Real Estate Association was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Atwood of Boston moved to amend by inserting in line 3 of section 2, after the word "estate," the words "in the county of Bristol." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Means of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 29, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Ayres of Petersham, petition of Garfield Grange, No. 104, Patrons of Husbandry, for the enactment of a law to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Dairy products.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of the Hyde Park Horticultural Society in aid of the petition of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Experiment Station for an appropriation to enable them to erect a suitable building and apparatus for a department of vegetable physiology. Massachusetts Experiment Station, — vegetable physiology.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of the mayor of Holyoke for a further extension of the exemption of the city of Holyoke from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, limiting the municipal debt of and rate of taxation in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities. Holyoke.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Theodore E. Davis of Washington, D. C., for additional compensation as State agent for the prosecution of coast defence claims. Referred to the committee on Expenditures. Theodore E. Davis.

By Mr. Bancroft of Reading, remonstrance of A. J. Randall and others against any repeal of the law prohibiting the leasing of the great ponds of the State. Great ponds.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, remonstrance of Edward L. Chase and others against the passage of any law to permit the shooting of wild fowl on the sea-shore between high and low water mark. Wild fowl.

By the same gentleman, remonstrance of Thomas Holway and others against any change in the laws relating to the lobster fishery. Lobster fishery.

Cultivation of
fish.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Thomas G. Campbell and others that the great ponds on the island of Martha's Vineyard may be leased for the cultivation of useful fishes.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

City and town
agents to sell
intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of Hugh Montgomery and others for the appointment of city and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Ludlow Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of the Ludlow Manufacturing Company for authority to establish and maintain a system of water supply; and to manufacture, furnish and supply gas and electricity for illuminating and other purposes. Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Amesbury and
Salisbury Agri-
cultural and
Horticultural
Society.

By Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, petition of the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society for an amendment to its charter, to enable it to hold additional real and personal estate. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Isadora F.
Lincoln.

By Mr. Heslan of Boston, petition of Isadora F. Lincoln for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Union Evangeli-
cal Religious
Society of
Readville.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of the Union Evangelical Religious Society of Readville for an Act declaring said society a religious corporation, and ratifying and confirming the proceedings thereof. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Salary of the
clerk of the
third district
court of Plym-
outh.

By Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, petition of Benjamin A. Hathaway, clerk of the third district court of Plymouth County, for increase of salary.

Salary of judge
of probate for
Bristol County.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of Andrew J. Jennings and others for an increase of the salary of the judge of probate for Bristol County.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Newburyport
Water Com-
pany.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of the Newburyport Water Company for authority to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, and to mortgage its franchise and property to pay for construction. Re-

ferred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Huldah M. Hall and others; and by Mr. Brewer of Boston, petition of Susan E. B. Channing and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the county commissioners of Barnstable County in regard to issuing of venires in certain cases. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Issuing of venires in Barnstable County.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of William G. Bassett and others for legislation relative to indexing the files in the registry of probate for the county of Hampshire. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Registry of probate of Hampshire County.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of the county commissioners of Bristol County for authority to use an additional sum of money for the building of the court house at Fall River. Referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Court house at Fall River.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, petition of Mrs. Mary Kendrick and others; and by Mr. Packard of Conway, petition of Mary A. Wilder and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from fourteen to eighteen years.

Age of consent.

Severally placed on file.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dearing of Braintree, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider whether any further legislation is necessary to protect the introduction and propagation of exotic birds and mammals for scientific and experimental purposes on Egg Island in the county of Bristol, and Great Island in the county of Barnstable.

Exotic birds and mammals on Egg Island and Great Island.

Employees, —
labor organiza-
tions.

On motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, —
Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prevent any employer from discharging or discriminating against any person in his employ because of such person being a member of any labor organization, and that shall prevent any employer from printing, posting or publishing any notices forbidding their employees from joining labor organizations.

Pay envelopes.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, —
Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit any corporation from printing or writing on any envelope, or other article, containing the wages of its employees, used for paying-off purposes, any matter but the name of the employee and the amount of his or her wages; also, that such envelope or package shall contain nothing but the wages of the employee whose name it bears.

Notice of reduction of pay of
employees.

On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit any corporation from reducing the pay of its employees, whether engaged by the day or piece, without first giving such employee fifteen days' notice of such intention.

Court officers of
Norfolk and
Plymouth counties.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for the payment of the court officers of Norfolk and Plymouth counties by salary instead of by fees.

Transportation
of members of
the Legislature
on railroads.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —
Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for the transportation of members of the Legislature and other State officers when travelling in the discharge of their duties.

Motive power
on street rail-
ways.

On motion of Mr. Bowman of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the use of electricity or other motive power by street railway companies.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the make-up of the trial list of cases in the superior court, civil business, in Suffolk County.

Trial list in the superior civil court, Suffolk County.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of an additional assistant clerk for the municipal court of the city of Boston.

Assistant clerk of the municipal court for the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing by law additional causes for divorce, when either party, after marriage, contracts gross and confirmed habits in the use of opium or other drugs.

Divorce.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of exempting the Board of Examiners of the several counties from the duty of inspecting matters relating to the county finances; inasmuch as, by chapter 438 of the Acts of the year 1887, that duty is now performed by the controller of the accounts of county officers.

Board of examiners of county finances.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the construction or occupancy and sanitary condition of dwelling places within the limits of the city of Boston.

Construction and sanitary condition of dwelling places in the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing that time loans, not yet matured, for sums less than \$1,000, may be discharged at any time after six months from the date of the original loan, by payment or tender of the principal and of interest, as provided in section 1 of chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888.

Discharge of loans.

On motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that all district and police courts in this Commonwealth be made courts of record, with a seal and a clerk, and to provide for the appointment and salaries of such clerks.

District and police courts as courts of record.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Married
women.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to the power of married women to dispose of their separate estate by will or deed, that a decree establishing the fact that a married woman has been deserted by her husband, or is living apart from him for justifiable cause, may be entered by the probate court or the supreme judicial court having jurisdiction of the parties, on petition of the wife, brought for the sole purpose of obtaining such decree.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Alien passen-
gers.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending the law in relation to alien passengers landing in this Commonwealth, so as to provide for their better protection en route, and the reimbursement of the Commonwealth and cities and towns for expenses incurred in caring for such immigrants as may fall sick, or who for any cause become a public charge after landing; and also to provide for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed in the carrying of such passengers.

Mr. Morison of Boston moved to amend by striking out, in the first line, the words, " Mercantile Affairs," and inserting in place thereof the words, " the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

Dogs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture inquire what legislation is necessary in regard to licensing spayed dogs.

Dairy products.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation which shall prevent the fraudulent use of the words " dairy " and " creamery " upon tubs or other packages containing butter; also, as to what legislation is necessary to prevent imposition in the sale of butter known to the trade as " ladle-packed."

Sale of liquor
on election
days.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an Act prohibiting

the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors on election days, that the same shall apply only to the ward or wards in which an election may be held.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of products intended to be used as adulterants of milk, butter or cheese.

Adulteration of milk, butter and cheese.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the use of salicylic acid, boracic acid, or any of their compounds, or other so-called preservatives, in dairy products.

Dairy products.

The following order was considered :—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of, and laws relating to, the city of Boston.

City of Boston.

Pending the question on its adoption, in concurrence, Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the order was obnoxious to House Rule No. 38, which requires that the order shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed, and when reference is made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates. The Chair declared the point well taken. Mr. Atwood of Boston respectfully appealed from the decision of the Chair, and the appeal was seconded by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough. On the question, "Shall the opinion of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?" a vote was taken, and the House sustained the decision of the Chair, and the order was ruled out and notice was sent to the Senate.

Point of order.

The following order was, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, laid over until to-morrow :—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes.

Assessment and collection of taxes.

The House Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amend-

Daily bulletin of committee hearings.

ment, adding at the end thereof the words, "All bills contracted under this resolve shall be paid on approval of the Sergeant-at-Arms." The House concurred in the amendment, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the resolve was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Lenox Club.

A Bill to authorize the Lenox Club of Lenox to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Imitation dairy products.

Petition of Haverhill Grange, No. 154, Patrons of Husbandry, for the enactment of such a law as will prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. To the committee on Agriculture.

City charter of Lowell.

Petition of the mayor of Lowell for a revision of the charter of said city. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional amendment, — intoxicating liquors.

Petition of Charles W. Howland and others, asking for the submission to the people of the prohibitory constitutional amendment, and that it be submitted in the month of May or June of the present year. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Clams.

Petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Gloucester for an Act authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Gloucester. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Cider.

Petitions of Francis Wright and others; of John Fletcher and others; and of H. D. Moulton and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Soldiers and sailors, relief of.

Petition of the Association of Relief Officers of Massachusetts that the Act for the relief in cases of necessity of persons who served in the army and navy of the United States during the Rebellion, etc., be repealed, and that chapter 30 of the Public Statutes be amended so as to provide for the classes of cases which the above-named Act was intended to relieve. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company that the time for the construction and completion of its road to Point Shirley, as fixed by chapter 258 of the Acts of the year 1888, may be extended. To the committee on Railroads.

Boston,
Winthrop and
Shore Railroad
Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the fourth annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston as relates to a public prosecutor to assist the department in the lower courts, or that authority be given to employ counsel in cases where legal assistance is required; also, so much as relates to the transfer of liquor licenses, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of Board
of Police.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending existing laws in regard to bail commissioners.

Bail
commissioners.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union and others for such amendment of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from 14 to 18 years.

Age of consent.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill fixing the times for holding probate courts in the county of Middlesex.

Probate courts
in Middlesex
County.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes, relative to the administration of estates after twenty years.

Administration
of estates after
twenty years.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on the special report of the auditor of accounts, a Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1888.

Appropriation
bill.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to

Assistant clerks
of courts.

assistant clerks of courts ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Revere Street
Railway
Company.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, the Bill to authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature, and for certain other expenses provided for by law ; and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Hampden was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Ceding jurisdiction to the United States over a part of Gallop's Island in Boston harbor (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the New Bedford Real Estate Association ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield ;

Relating to printing additional copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

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Providing for the printing and distribution of additional copies of the Manual of the General Court; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of George C. Bosson as justice of the peace;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, at sixteen minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 30, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Reports Received.

Auditor of
accounts.

The abstract of the report of the auditor of accounts of the Commonwealth for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, was received and referred to the committee on Finance.

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners.

The annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1888 was received, and was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

House of deten-
tion for women
in Boston.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the Woman's Charity Club and others for legislation to require the Board of Police of the city of Boston to establish a house of detention for women in said city, and for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Great ponds.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Fred A. Smith and others that the great ponds of Martha's Vineyard may be leased for the cultivation of useful fishes.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, remonstrance of C. F. Dunham and 281 others against any repeal of the law prohibiting the leasing of the great ponds of the State.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Lowell Police
Mutual Aid
Association.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of Edward J. Noyes and others for incorporation as the Lowell Police Mutual Aid Association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Eveline E.
Leach.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Eveline E. Leach that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Antoinette J.
Dalton.

By Mr. Quinn of Boston, petition of Antoinette J. Dalton that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, petition of Sarah E. Whiting that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Sarah E. Whiting.

By Mr. Heslan of Boston, petition of Jane Skiffington that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Jane Skiffington.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of the Unitarian Sunday School Society for legislation to allow it to hold meetings in any State or Territory and District of Columbia, and to confirm its acts. Unitarian Sunday School Society.

By Mr. Mead of Natick, petition of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick for a change of name. Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick.

Severally referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, remonstrance of the county commissioners of the county of Dukes County against the abolition of the jail and house of correction at Nantucket. Referred to the committee on Prisons. Abolition of the jail and house of correction at Nantucket.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of Charles D. Palmer, mayor of Lowell, for reimbursement to said city of moneys expended for support of Richard Brennan, an insane pauper. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Charles D. Palmer.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of George White for compensation for services rendered as judge of probate in the county of Essex. Referred to the committee on Public Service. George White.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company for authority to increase its capital stock and to extend its location. Referred to the committee on Street Railways with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, petition of the water commissioners of the town of Medford for authority to issue bonds for payment and refunding of its present water fund bonds and improving its water supply. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Medford water fund bonds.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Anna C. Lee and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote Municipal suffrage for women.

in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

James
Donoghue.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of James Donoghue to have the sum paid by him as bondsman for Thomas F. Donoghue refunded to him out of the treasury of the county of Plymouth. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Trustees of free
public libraries
and reading
rooms in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, concerning the election and powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading rooms in towns, so as to permit a town to elect twelve or any other number of trustees divisible by three, and that such trustees may elect one of their number to the office of treasurer, without compensation and without being compelled to give sureties on his official bond.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer, —

Trout brooks, —
trespass.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of further legislation for the protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers, or of such amendment of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1884 as shall extend the provisions thereof to fish as well as game.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Court stenog-
raphers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 291 of the Acts of 1885 as to provide that the stenographers appointed under the provisions of said chapter shall report the trials of criminal causes, when requested by the presiding judge or district attorney; also, of providing that said stenographers shall receive annual salaries, instead of the present per diem compensation.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Medical examin-
ers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 26 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that the Governor and

Council may appoint more medical examiners than therein provided, when they deem it expedient.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

A report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1888, on the subject of completing and perfecting the records of officers and enlisted men who served from Massachusetts in the army and navy during the War of the Rebellion, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, — rec-
ords of service.

Part two of the third annual report of the Insurance Commissioner for the year 1887 (taken from the Senate files of last year) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Report of In-
surance Com-
missioner,
Part II.

The Senate order, laid over from yesterday, relative to amending the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Assessment and
collection of
taxes.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to instructing the committee on Military Affairs to investigate the affairs of the State pension agent, and report to the Legislature within reasonable time.

State pension
agent.

Bills:

To amend the charter of the Magnolia Improvement Company (reported on a petition); and

Magnolia
Improvement
Company.

In further addition to an Act relating to the Mystic River Corporation (reported on a petition);

Mystic River
Corporation.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Petition of the Woman Suffrage League of Concord for further legislation relative to police matrons and the custody of women under arrest. To the committee on Cities.

Police matrons.

Petitions of Sardis Fairbanks and others, T. A. Dickson and others, Henry Burnap and others, and Joel

Cider.

Elliott and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others that women may be enabled to vote in presidential elections, and also in all county, town and municipal affairs; and for the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex.

Ibid.

Petitions of Bessie S. Lockwood and others, Martha A. Anderson and others, — severally, for legislation enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Drunkenness.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to requiring that persons arrested for drunkenness be detained until an investigation can be had to ascertain the character of the prisoner, and whether he has been previously arrested for a similar offence, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Superior court
for the county
of Norfolk.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relative to the transaction of civil business in the superior court for the county of Norfolk.

Postage and
expressage on
legislative
documents.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order, a Bill to provide for the payment of postage and expressage on documents sent to members of the General Court.

Yorick Club of
Lowell.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Yorick Club of Lowell.

Salary of the
justice of the
third district
court of
Bristol.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the third district court of Bristol.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston.

Salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Michael O'Neill ought to pass.

Michael O'Neill.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the payment of the expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year; and

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia; and for other expenses of the military department;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the existing laws in regard to bail commissioners, was accepted.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from 14 to 18 years, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem.

Bills:

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1888;

Relating to assistant clerks of courts;

Fixing the time for holding probate courts in the county of Middlesex;

To amend section 4 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes, relative to the administration of estates after twenty years; and

To authorize the Lenox Club of Lenox to hold additional real and personal estate;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Resolutions on the Death of Joshua L. D. Bowerman.

Joshua L. D.
Bowerman.

The orders of the day having been disposed of, Mr. Brewster of Worthington, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Joshua L. D. Bowerman, Representative from the Third Berkshire Representative District, and to prepare resolutions of respect in honor of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the House of Representatives has learned with grief of the decease of Joshua L. D. Bowerman, Esq., a member from the Third Berkshire County District.

Resolved, That the House bears cordial testimony to the worth of the deceased, and is profoundly sensible of the loss which it has sustained.

Resolved, That the House deeply sympathizes with the family and friends of the deceased in this bereavement.

Resolved, That copies of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased, and to the selectmen of the town of Lanesborough.

After remarks by Messrs. Giddings of Great Barrington and Shepard of Sandisfield, the resolutions were unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Giddings, at half-past two o'clock the House adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The fifty-second annual report of the Board of Education, together with the annual report of the secretary of the Board, was received and was referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence. Board of Education.

The annual report of the Board of Arbitration; and
The annual report of the Gas Inspector;

Board of Arbitration.
Gas Inspector.

Were severally received, and were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, a Bill for the relief, in cases of necessity, of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the Rebellion, and their dependent families. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence. Soldiers and sailors.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of Marlborough Grange, No. 105, Patrons of Husbandry; by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, petition of Dalton Grange, No. 23, Patrons of Husbandry; and by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Concord Grange, No. 150, Patrons of Husbandry, and others, — severally, for the enactment of such a law as will prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of dairy products. Dairy products.

By Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, petition of George W. Crane and others of Berkley and Dighton, for an increase of the penalty for the larceny of fowl or poultry. Larceny of fowl or poultry.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of E. E. Rider and others; by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of S. N. Howland and others; and by Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of Freeman Long and others, — severally, for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl.

Seining herrings.

By Mr. Alden of Duxbury, petition of Luther H. Tilden and others of Marshfield to amend the laws to extend the time for seining herrings.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Sale of alcoholics in no-license towns.

By Mr. Thompson of Brockton, petition of R. P. Kingman and 412 others of Brockton, for such amendment to the present liquor law as shall provide a method for eliminating all private profits from the reasonable and proper sale of alcoholics in such cities and towns as vote no license.

Cider.

By Mr. Rogers of West Newbury, petition of Miron E. Minzy and others; by Mr. Ripley of Granville, petition of Asher Palmer and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Union Investment Association of Boston.

By Mr. Bowman of Boston, petition of the Union Investment Association of Boston for an act of incorporation.

Hospital at Quincy.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of Wm. B. Rice and others for an act of incorporation for a hospital to be established in Quincy.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Susan Ann Stewart.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, petition of Susan Ann Stewart that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Salary of clerk of second district court of eastern Worcester.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of F. E. Howard, clerk of the second district court of eastern Worcester, for an increase of salary.

Salary of justice of second district court of eastern Worcester.

By the same gentleman, petition of C. C. Stone, justice of the second district court of eastern Worcester, for an increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Conant of Littleton, petition of R. P. Hallowell and 100 others, in aid of the petition of C. M. Barrett and others for the incorporation of the town of Brooks. Medford,—
town of Brooks.
Referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petition of Susan E. Lowe and others; and by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Ellen A. Stone and others,—severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Woman
suffrage.
Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Stover of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that the exclusion of any child from school for non-vaccination shall not exempt any person having the control of such child from the penalty imposed in section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes. Exclusion of
non-vaccinated
children from
schools.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation authorizing school committees and superintendents of public schools to visit private schools, to ascertain if the private schools are conducted in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth. Private schools.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes, relating to attendance of children at school, by striking out, in lines 8 and 9 of said section, the words, "if the person so neglecting was not able, by reason of poverty, to send such child to school, or;" and in line 8 of said section, after the words, "twenty dollars," by inserting the words, "or imprisonment for not less than one nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment." Attendance of
children at
school.

On motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing that a majority of the Text-books in
public schools.

school committee in cities and towns may be sufficient to effect a change in the text-books used in the public schools thereof.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Impanelling of
juries in Mid-
dlesex County.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 170 of the Public Statutes, and other existing laws in relation to the impanelling of juries, that a new jury shall be drawn and sworn for each civil case tried in the county of Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Brewster of Worthington, —

Precept for
election.

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Third Berkshire Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

Papers from the Senate.

Savings banks,
— investments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of an enactment providing that savings banks and institutions for savings shall not be prohibited from investing in the first mortgage bonds of any dividend-paying railroad company, in which they would otherwise be authorized to invest, by reason of the road of said company being leased or operated by some other railroad company.

Intoxicating
liquors, — clubs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent illegal gaming and illegal selling or distribution of intoxicating liquors by clubs incorporated under the general laws of this Commonwealth.

Applications for
office, under
civil service
rules, to be
made under
oath.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 17 of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, so as to provide that all applications for office under the civil service rules shall be made under oath.

Soldiers and
sailors, — ap-
pointment to
office.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, so as to define more clearly the preference intended thereby to be given, in appointments to office, to applicants who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and have been honorably discharged therefrom.

The following order was, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, laid over until to-morrow :—

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation relative to providing for the approval by the Railroad Commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power to street railway companies in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Street railways,
—electricity
and other motive
power.

Bills :

To authorize the Brockton Agricultural Society in Brockton to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition) ; and

Brockton Agricultural
Society.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden (reported on a petition) ;

Salary of the
county commis-
sioners of
Hampden.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Wellesley Grange, No. 166, Patrons of Husbandry ; and of Ashland Grange, No. 124, Patrons of Husbandry, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Dairy products.

Petitions of the South-Berkshire Sportsmen's Club and others for legislation providing a penalty for taking, without immediately returning to the water from which they are caught, trout less than six inches in length, and for having in possession trout less than that length. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Trout.

Remonstrance of Baxter E. Perry and 443 others, citizens of the town of Medford, against the division of said town. To the committee on Towns.

Medford.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Daniel Williams, clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
clerk of the
municipal court
of the Charles-
town district of
the city of
Boston.

Pauper inmates
of state chari-
table institu-
tions.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to defining what is meant by pauper inmates in State charitable institutions and lunatic hospitals, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Defendants in
nuisance cases.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, by making all persons therein named principals, as in section 7 of said chapter.

Improvements
on leased lands.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation for the further protection of citizens who make improvements on leased lands.

Union Develop-
ment and Im-
provement
Company.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of G. W. Tucker and others for an act of incorporation as the Union Development and Improvement Company.

Marblehead
water supply.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Marblehead for an amendment to chapter 325 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled, "An Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water."

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Jurors, — su-
preme judicial
court for the
county of
Barnstable.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill in relation to the drawing and summoning of jurors in the supreme judicial court for the county of Barnstable.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Ibid.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

American Linen
Company of
Fall River.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to fix the

capital stock of the American Linen Company of Fall River.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Abington Business Club Building Association.

Abington Business Club Building Association.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church.

Nantasket M. E. Church.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in relation to sales and mortgages of trust estates ought to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Sales and mortgages of trust estates.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the auditor of accounts. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Salary of the auditor of accounts.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Southern Middlesex ;

To authorize the New England Shoe and Leather Association to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Providing for a second assistant clerk of the courts for the county of Middlesex ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings ; and

Resolves passed.

To provide for furnishing Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

(Which originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from 14 to 18 years, was further considered. Mr. Gracey of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill concerning the punishment for rape." The bill was read, and, after debate, was rejected, and the report was accepted.

Bills :

To provide for the payment of the expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

To provide for the payment of postage and expressage on documents sent to members of the General Court ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Yorick Club of Lowell ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the third district court of Bristol ;

To amend section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relative to the transaction of civil business in the superior court for the county of Norfolk ; and

In further addition to an Act relating to the Mystic River Corporation ; and the

Resolve in favor of Michael O'Neill ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend the charter of the Magnolia Improvement Company was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend in section 1, line 13, by striking out the words, " five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words, " two hundred and fifty ;" and in line 24, by striking out the word " stock," and inserting in place thereof the word " capital." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Hampden ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1888 ; and

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Fixing the time for holding probate courts in the county of Middlesex ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Lenox Club of Lenox to hold additional real and personal estate was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 1, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Commissioners
on grade
crossings.

Report of the commissioners appointed to investigate the subject of the gradual abolition of the crossing of highways by railroads at grade was received, and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Introduced on Leave.

Essex County
commissioners,
— registry of
deeds for the
southern dis-
trict.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Essex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Poor debtor
matters.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, a Bill relating to procedure in poor debtor matters. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Constitutional
amendment, —
census of legal
voters and
inhabitants.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, the order relative to amending the Constitution, concerning the census of legal voters and inhabitants, was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

City of Brock-
ton.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for an amendment of section 1, chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limit of municipal debt of and rate of taxation in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Prohibitory
amendment.

By Mr. Packard of Conway, petition of John B. Laidley and others that the prohibitory amendment be sub-

mitted to the people without any change, and that the time of voting upon said amendment be at the annual fall election. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, petitions of Herbert C. Smith and others, and of J. M. Colesworthy and others; by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Davis E. Long and others; and by Mr. Eldredge of Bourne, petition of F. R. Gifford and others, — severally, for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl. Wild fowl.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of George A. Putnam and others; by Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of George A. Whiting and others; by Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, petition of James Sloan and others; by Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of C. Augustus Gassett and others; by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, petition of A. C. Ford and others; by Mr. Reed of Framingham, petition of Fred R. York and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of George A. Cotting and others; by Mr. Morse of Marlborough, petition of George E. Sherman and others; by Mr. Wood of Northborough, petition of Charles Richardson and others; and by Mr. Gardner of Raynham, petition of W. A. White and others, — severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors. Cider.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of John Flanagan that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. John Flanagan.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of A. M. Alger, clerk of the first district court of Bristol County, for an increase of the salaries of the justice and clerk of said court. Salaries of justice and clerk of first district court of Bristol County.

By Mr. Bennett of Pepperell, petition of Levi Wallace, the justice of the first district court of northern Middlesex, for an increase of salary. Salary of justice of the first district court of northern Middlesex.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of John E. Hayes and others; by Mr. McDonough of Boston, peti- Taxation of land.

tion of Herbert L. Tyler and others; and by Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of William H. Hannaford and others, — severally, for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

Riverside
Water Supply
Company.

By Mr. Atherton of Gill, petition of the Riverside Water Supply Company for authority to take water from Nevins Brook and Burton's Cove. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of S. E. Eaton and others; by Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, petition of Phebe R. Clifford and others; by Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of Frank P. Keith and others; by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of Theodora D. Weld and others; by Mr. Patridge of Upton, petition of Mary S. Skinner and others; and by Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of Martha Clapp and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Involuntary
proceedings in
insolvency.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of Marcus G. B. Swift, relative to involuntary proceedings in insolvency. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, —

Co-operative
banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending chapter 117 of the Public Statutes, so that co-operative banks may issue shares in quarterly series, and still distribute their profits and losses semi-annually.

Town appro-
priations.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 10 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to the pur-

poses for which towns can appropriate money, that the purposes shall be enlarged and defined.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing for the sale to the highest bidder, at public auction, of licenses of the first five classes, for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Sale of liquor licenses at public auction.

On motion of Mr. Dame of Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 240 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to require railroads to display a light, at all grade crossings where flagmen are stationed, whenever an engine or train passes after night-fall.

Signal lights at grade crossings on railroads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 2 and 7 of chapter 147 of the Public Statutes, concerning the rights of husband and wife, and the contracts which each may make.

Rights of husband and wife.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the conveyances of real estate, and the papers necessary to vest the title to the same.

Conveyances of real estate.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation concerning joint tenancy and tenancy in common.

Joint tenancy and tenancy in common.

On motion of Mr. Gilman of North Andover, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of dividing the county of Essex into two or more judicial districts, with a view to facilitate the trial of cases in the superior court within and for said county.

Division of Essex County into two or more judicial districts.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the present number and times of the sittings of the superior court, for civil and criminal business, within and for the county of Essex.

Sittings of the superior court in the county of Essex.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider whether legislation is necessary to prescribe a rule that all

Boards and commissioners of the Commonwealth.

boards and commissioners created under the laws of the Commonwealth, which have or may have the power to summon or to examine witnesses, or to have and conduct hearings or trials before them, shall, while so sitting, follow the procedure of the courts, and shall not have or exercise the power to exclude therefrom the public or the press.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer,—

Composition
with creditors
in insolvency,—
registers of
insolvency.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending chapter 236 of the Acts of the year 1884, and chapter 353 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to composition with creditors in insolvency, that the register of insolvency shall have the same power to deposit moneys remaining in his hands unclaimed, and due absent creditors, that now belong to assignees in insolvency, administrators and executors of estates of deceased persons.

Laid on the Table.

Street railways.

The Senate order, laid over from yesterday, relative to providing for the approval by the Railroad Commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power to street railway companies in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, laid on the table.

Papers from the Senate.

Stenographer
for the commit-
tee on Public
Charitable
Institutions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to employ a stenographer, and to make such reports in print as may seem to the committee necessary or expedient.

State House.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, containing certain recommendations in regard to the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House.

Savings banks.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to the names of mortgage loan and investment companies, the use of the word

“bank” without legal authority, and the dealing in Western farm mortgages by trust companies, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage (referred by the last General Court to the General Court next to be chosen), agreed to by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Constitutional amendment, —
intoxicating
liquors.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Ipswich Grange, No. 136, Patrons of Husbandry, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products:

Imitation dairy
products.

Petition of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society that an appropriation be made to enable the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station to erect a suitable building and apparatus for a department of vegetable physiology.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station, — vege-
table physiol-
ogy.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Woodbury A. Ham and others of Everett for the incorporation of a savings bank in said town. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Everett.

Petition of Walter Clifford and others for legislation to enable the county commissioners of Bristol County to build a bridge over the Acushnet River between New Bedford and Fairhaven. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Bridge over the
Acushnet River
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

Petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Frederick B.
Kellogg.

Petition of the water commissioners of the town of Marlborough for authority to issue additional water bonds, in accordance with the vote of said town passed at the last annual town meeting. To the committee on Water Supply.

Marlborough
water bonds.

Reports of Committees.

Publication of laws.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on two orders, a Bill relating to the further publication of laws.

Westfield.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Westfield to issue additional water bonds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles D. Jenkins.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Charles D. Jenkins. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

To authorize the Boston Children's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Bristol ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve, in favor of Charles Wright and Moses G. Howe (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, by making all persons therein named principals, as in section 7 of said chapter, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of G. W. Tucker and others for an act of incorporation as the Union Development and Improvement Company ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation for the further protection of citizens who make improvements on leased lands ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Marblehead for an amendment to chapter 325 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled, " An Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water ; "

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to sales and mortgages of trust estates ;

To fix the capital stock of the American Linen Company of Fall River ;

To incorporate the Abington Business Club Building Association ;

In relation to the drawing and summoning of jurors in the supreme judicial court for the county of Barnstable ;

To incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

To authorize the Brockton Agricultural Society in Brockton to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to assistant clerks of courts ;

To amend section 4 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes, relative to the administration of estates after twenty years ;

To provide for the payment of the expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

To provide for the payment of postage and expressage on documents sent to members of the General Court ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Yorick Club of Lowell ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the third district court of Bristol ; and

To amend section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relative to the transaction of civil business in the superior court for the county of Norfolk; and the

Resolve in favor of Michael O'Neill;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in further addition to an Act relating to the Mystic River Corporation was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Witt of Boston, at fifteen minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 4, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Brown of Salem, petition of the Essex Agricultural Society for an amendment of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to dogs. Dogs.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of James R. Bigelow and others; by Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, petition of John Wooldredge and others; and by Mr. Brown of Salem, petition of the Essex Agricultural Society, — severally, for such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other imitations of butter. Oleomargarine,
— imitation
butter.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of East Blackstone Grange, No. 137, Patrons of Husbandry, to prevent deception in manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Dairy products.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of John J. Gannon and others that that part of Quincy known as Squantum may be annexed to Boston. Quincy, — Bos-
ton.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton to borrow \$100,000, and to issue bonds to secure payment of the same, for the purpose of building a city hall. Brockton.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of L. T. Trull and others for the disfranchisement of persons convicted of crimes against the elective franchise, and of infamous crimes. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Disfranchise-
ment of persons
convicted of
crimes against
the elective
franchise.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of the selectmen of Brookline for authority to construct and maintain a sewer through parts of the cities of Newton and Boston. Referred to the committee on Drainage. Sewer through
Newton and
Boston.

- Randolph.** — **taking of fish in Blue Hill and Norway rivers.** By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petition of S. A. Thayer and others for legislation to regulate the taking of certain fish in Blue Hill River and Norway River, and the tributaries flowing into Great Pond in Randolph.
- Woodcock.** By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of L. H. Mayott and others for an amendment to the law relating to the taking of woodcock.
- Wild fowl.** By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, petition of Wendell P. Sturtevant and others for amendment of the laws relating to the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark.
- Setting of nets in Marion harbor.** By Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of H. W. Everest and others of Marion for authority to set nets and gill nets in Marion harbor.
- Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Eight hours a day's work.** By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of the Eight-Hour League of Boston for legislation to make eight hours' work a day the legal standard of a day's work.
- Ibid.** By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of L. M. Hill and others for legislation fixing eight hours for a day's work for State, city, county and town employees.
- Fine system in textile manufactories.** By the same gentleman, petition of Simon J. Chadwick and others for the abolition of the fine system in textile manufactories.
- Severally referred to the committee on Labor.
- Cider.** By Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, petition of George A. Clough, Jr., and others; and by Mr. Newhall of Sterling, petition of John Gates and others; severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.
- Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Danvers.** By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, petition of the selectmen of Danvers for authority to allow that town to furnish its inhabitants with electric light and power. Referred to the committee on Manufactures.
- National Home Building Association.** By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Frank M. Ames and others for an act of incorporation as the National Home Building Association.
- Lowell Protective Association.** By Mr. Carter of Lowell, petition of W. F. Salmon and others for an act of incorporation as the Lowell Protective Association.
- Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of the proprietors of locks and canals on Merrimac River to discontinue a part of the lower free landing in the city of Lowell. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Free landing on the Merrimac River in Lowell.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of F. A. Osgood and others, officers of 8th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, for an appropriation to defray expenses to attend the inauguration of the President of the United States.

8th Regiment, M. V. M.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, petition of Augustus A. Lewis that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Augustus A. Lewis.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, petition of Maria Gragg that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Maria Gragg.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ayers of Petersham, petition of the First Congregational Parish in Petersham for authority to sell from time to time certain lands belonging to said parish.

First Congregational Parish in Petersham.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of the First Parish of North Bridgewater for a change of name.

First Parish of North Bridgewater.

Severally referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Edward Charlesworth and others; and by Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, petition of J. T. Merrill and others, — severally, for an Act granting \$10,000 annually, to be used as a fund for the relief of firemen injured while working at or returning from fires.

Massachusetts State firemen.

By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for the repeal of section 45 of chapter 89 of the Public Statutes, relating to the discharge and return to parents of inmates, and the substitution of a new section.

Discharge of inmates from the State Primary and Reform Schools.

By the same gentleman, the petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for an appropriation to build and make alterations at the Lyman School for Boys, and Lyman Hall.

Lyman School for Boys, and Lyman Hall.

By the same gentleman, petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for an appropriation for rebuilding a barn at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster.

State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Noxious and
offensive trades.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, petition of the Board of Health of Somerville for a change in the laws relating to noxious and offensive trades. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Salary of the
clerk of the
police court of
Fitchburg.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Wylon G. Hayes, clerk of the police court of Fitchburg, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the
second assistant
clerk of the
municipal
court of Boston.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Henry E. Bellew, second assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Salary of treas-
urer of Plym-
outh County.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Albert Davis, treasurer of the county of Plymouth, for an increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Draws over the
Charles River.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Horatio Wellington and others for an extension of time in which to close the draws over the Charles River.

Danger signals
on railways.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of William M. Perkins and others for the enactment of a law for the better protection of railroad employees, by the use of danger signals or otherwise.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Width of rims
to wagon
wheels.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of R. H. Hall and others for an Act regulating the width of rims to wagon wheels.

Bridge over the
North Canal of
the Essex Com-
pany in Law-
rence.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, petition of the mayor of the city of Lawrence for an Act to authorize said city to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company in said city.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Taxation of
land.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, petition of E. V. R. Reed and others; by Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Philo W. Sprague and others; and by Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of T. J. Hastings and others, — severally, for enactment of a law which shall exempt from tax the products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and provide for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, petition of Charles S. Wellington and others in aid of the establishment of the town of Brooks. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of Brooks.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, petition of H. Arthur White and others for authority to take additional sources of water supply for the Leicester water supply district. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Leicester water supply.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of the Board of Commissioners of Weymouth for an Act authorizing said town to increase its water debt. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Water debt of Weymouth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of Edward H. Bennett and others for legislation to authorize and require the county commissioners of Bristol County to enlarge and improve the accommodations of the courts and of the county at Taunton. Referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Taunton, — Bristol County courts.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, petition of E. W. Richardson and others in aid of the petition of the Bay State Lumber Trade Association for a change in the law relating to mechanics' and other liens.

Liens.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, petition of Lelia J. Robinson and Mary A. Greene for legislation to enlarge the powers and duties of women appointed as special commissioners.

Powers and duties of women appointed as special commissioners.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Conant of Littleton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of regulating by law the size of new apple barrels.

New apple barrels.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing that, whenever a vacancy occurs in the board of aldermen or in the common council of any city, between the first day of May and the day of the annual State election in November of each year,

Elections to fill vacancies in city councils.

such vacancy shall be filled by the city council of said city after public notice of at least one week.

Drainage in towns.

On motion of Mr. Dearing of Braintree, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of requiring towns of more than four thousand inhabitants to adopt some plan of drainage.

Australian system of voting.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to providing for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections.

Apportionments of State polls.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes so that if the State poll exceeds in amount the sum of five cents, the excess above said amount shall be apportioned upon property, as provided by said chapter.

Registrars of voters.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 35 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to fix the number of hours registrars of voters shall be in session.

Smelts.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending sections 57 and 58 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to the taking of smelts.

Quail.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, in relation to the time of taking and killing quail.

Lobsters.

On motion of Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the protection of lobsters, and of amending chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1884, so as to provide that possession alone shall not be *prima facie* evidence to convict.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of a law prohibiting persons not regularly admitted to the bar representing themselves by card, sign or advertisement as attorneys or counsellors at law.

Attorneys and counsellors at law.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as shall better protect human life in time of fire.

Protection of life in time of fire.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888 that the material used in the appliances therein mentioned shall be sufficient if treated by some approved process to render the same practically unflammable.

Equipment of fire departments.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as shall exempt from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888 all persons holding a license of the fourth and fifth classes under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and who do business only between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M.

Intoxicating liquors,—limiting the number of licenses.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of such legislation as shall enable cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to its citizens, and for such purpose acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies.

Illuminating gas.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall compel electric wires to be placed under ground.

Placing electric wires under ground.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating by statute the amounts to be charged by telephone companies in this State.

Telephone rates.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall allow

Telephone companies.

cities in granting any franchise to a telephone company within its limits to exact gratuitous services from said companies.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Gas companies
of other States.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prohibit gas companies incorporated under the laws of other States from doing business in this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Fottler of Boston, —

Electric wires.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing by statute that all fixtures, poles or other devices, designed for the support of electric wires operated by other than municipal corporations, shall be erected or placed upon buildings within this Commonwealth only with the consent of the owner or agent of such buildings.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer, —

State and military aid.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending all laws relating to the payment of State or military aid to soldiers and sailors as to provide for those soldiers and sailors who are now residents of this Commonwealth, but served in commands of other States during the late war.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Dependent parents of soldiers and sailors.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 438 of the Acts of 1888 as to include within its provisions the dependent parents of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, —

Records of Massachusetts Volunteers.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as will correct, as far as may be, the wrongs caused by the inaccuracies contained in the book published under the authority of a Resolve of the Legislature passed in the year 1886, and entitled, "Records of the Massachusetts Volunteers."

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Officers of Massachusetts Reformatory.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending section two of chapter 335 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the term of service and compensation of officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of such legislation as will require all State, city and town institutions having the custody and care of criminals, the poor, dependent, sick and insane, to keep a complete record of the inmates, specifying the date of admission, the name, age, sex and color, date of birth, place of birth, occupation, residence, their condition (whether single or married), the name of the person to whom married (if any), and such other facts as may be deemed desirable to secure complete records.

Records of inmates of city and town institutions.

On motion of Mr. Dearing of Braintree, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of requiring towns of more than four thousand inhabitants to adopt some system of sewerage.

Sewerage in towns.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the municipal court for the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

Salary of the justice of the municipal court, Roxbury district, of the city of Boston.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

Assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of Middlesex County.

Treasurer of Middlesex County.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation fixing the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature.

Compensation and mileage of members of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing for additional clerical assistance in the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

Municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider what effect the erection of electric overhead wires

Street railways, — electric overhead wires.

for street car propulsion will have on the security of life, property, the public convenience, safety and travel in densely settled portions of cities and towns.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Newsbys on
street cars.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of prohibiting by law, by providing a penalty therefor, street railway corporations from allowing minors, under the age of twelve years, to enter the cars of said corporations for the purpose of selling papers or other articles therein.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Taxation of
trust funds of
religious
societies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation in regard to the exemption from taxation of funds held in trust by religious societies for the support of the ministry and religious instruction, in certain cases.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Injuries by
dogs.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 93 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes by striking out the word "double" from the second line of said section, or by otherwise limiting the amount of damages, to be recovered in case of injuries by dogs, to that actually sustained.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester. —

Clerks of
courts, — term
fees.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish the term fee paid to clerks of courts on suits entered, and proceedings commenced prior to the first day of July, 1888.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Term fees for
libel, dower,
bills and peti-
tions in equity.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 257 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to extend the provisions of section 3 thereof to include and regulate charges for libel, for dower, bills and petitions in equity, and citations, orders and proceedings thereunder.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Appeals from
probate courts,
— bonds.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 156 of the Public Statutes as to provide that when any person claims an appeal from the allowance of a will by the probate court to the supreme judicial court, he shall file a bond in

such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be approved by the judge of the probate court, conditioned to pay all such costs and charges as the appellee may sustain by reason of said appeal, provided the decision of the probate court is affirmed.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 68, section 9, of the Public Statutes, that any soldier or sailor who served in the late war, and was honorably discharged, may be granted a State license to peddle, on the same conditions as though he was a disabled soldier or sailor.

Soldiers and sailors, — peddlers' licenses.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law relating to libel as to provide that no action shall be maintained for publication of matter of legitimate interest to the public, if made without actual malice, and effectually retracted or corrected by publisher or author, if untrue or mistaken, upon request of any person aggrieved by original publication.

Libel.

On motion of Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that attachments of real estate be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county, if there be only one such registry, or in the district where the land lies, if there be more than one registry in the same county, instead of having attachments recorded in the office of the clerk of the court, as is done at present in some counties.

Recording of attachments of real estate.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the statutes in relation to composition with creditors in insolvency.

Composition with creditors in insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1888 that any fees received by any magistrate, who is a justice of any police, municipal or district court, shall be paid into said court and accounted for in the same manner as fees received for civil business.

Fees in poor debtor cases.

Resolution Presented.

Pensions to
honorably dis-
charged sol-
diers, — rebel
prisoners.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, a Resolution requesting Congress to pass a law granting pensions to every honorably discharged Union soldier or sailor who was confined in rebel prisons. Referred to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence.

Exemption of
pension money
from legal pro-
cess.

By Mr. Stover of Haverhill, a Bill to exempt from legal process the pension money paid by the United States to soldiers and their heirs. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Gurnet Bridge
Company, —
bridge across
Duxbury
harbor.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the Gurnet Bridge Company for an amendment of section 5 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1887, by striking out the last clause thereof, relative to the cost of repairing and maintaining the bridge across Duxbury harbor, was recommitted, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Episcopal Theo-
logical School.

A Bill to amend the charter of the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School, being a new draft of the House Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 333 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Female Auxil-
iary Bible So-
ciety.

A Bill authorizing the transfer of the property of the Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity, and the dissolution of the corporation, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

William S.
Shurtleff.

Resolve in favor of William S. Shurtleff (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Transportation
of members of
the Legislature
and other State
officers.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to providing for the transportation of members of the Legislature and

other State officers, when travelling in the discharge of their duties.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Hinsdale Grange, No. 19, Patrons of Husbandry, for legislation to prevent the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Imitation dairy products.

Petition of the Boston Market Gardeners' Association that an appropriation be made to enable the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station to erect a suitable building with necessary apparatus for a department of vegetable physiology. Massachusetts Experiment Station, — vegetable physiology.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petitions of the Boston Tow Boat Company and others; the Cunard Steamship Company; the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company and others; Boston Wharf Company and others; the Boston Marine Insurance Company and others; the Norddeutscher Lloyd Steamship Company and others; Hatheway & Co. and others; and James L. Sullivan and others, — severally, for such amendment of the Sunday law as will allow the towage of vessels on the Lord's Day. Towage of vessels on the Lord's Day.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex that their salaries may be established. Salaries of county commissioners of Middlesex.

To the committee on Public Service.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, the Bill to authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Revere Street Railway Company.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough (which originated in the House); and Bills enacted.

To authorize the Lenox Club of Lenox to hold additional real and personal estate (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve, to confirm the acts of George L. Wentworth as a justice of the peace (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

To authorize the town of Westfield to issue additional water bonds ; and

Relating to the further publication of laws ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to sales and mortgages of trust estates ;

To fix the capital stock of the American Linen Company of Fall River ;

To incorporate the Abington Business Club Building Association ;

In relation to the drawing and summoning of jurors in the supreme judicial court for the county of Barnstable ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden ; and

To authorize the Brockton Agricultural Society in Brockton to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend the charter of the Magnolia Improvement Company was read a third time, and considered. Pending the question on engrossment, Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, line 13, by striking out the words, "two hundred and fifty," and inserting in place thereof the words, "five hundred." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, at nine minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 5, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Change in a Committee.

Mr. McNary of Boston was, at his request, excused from serving on the committee on Taxation, and Mr. McDonough of Fall River was appointed in his place.

Change in a committee.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, petition of Charles Lawrence & Co. and others in regard to legislation respecting the inspection of apples. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Inspection of apples.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, petition of William D. Curtis and others for an Act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of Lenox. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Savings bank in Lenox.

By Mr. Heslan of Boston, petition of John E. Heslan and others for legislation giving wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston each two representatives in the General Court.

Wards 22 and 25 in Boston.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority to fix the tenure of office of the officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell.

Tenure of office of the Lowell fire department.

By Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, petition of the mayor of the city of Lawrence for authority to borrow money for the erection of a public library.

Public library in Lawrence.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of Charles H. Porter, mayor of Quincy, for legislation to authorize said city to pay the engineers and volunteer firemen for services rendered to the town of Quincy during the past year.

Quincy fire department.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of William H. Whitmore that the city council of Boston be empowered to take by purchase, or otherwise, certain lands and

Boston.

buildings situated in said city on the line of Bowdoin Street, and to issue a loan outside the debt limit. Referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Public library
of Brookline.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of William Aspinwall and others, trustees of the public library, and other officers of Brookline, for an amendment of chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, concerning the election and powers of trustees of free public libraries.

Hopland school
district in Lee.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of I. H. Pixley and others for the abolition of the Hopland school district in the town of Lee.

School superin-
tendents in
towns.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, petition of Edward Sawyer and George M. Hooper for amendment of chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to aiding small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Scallops.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of J. M. Burgess and others that the taking of scallops in the waters of the State may be made free to all citizens of the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Dike in harbor
of Provincetown.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of James H. Hopkins and others for the erection of a permanent dike in the harbor of Provincetown, from the point near the western end of Provincetown to a point near Wood End Light-house.

Wooden structure
in Charles
River.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of T. J. Emery and others for the erection of a wooden structure in Charles River, to be used as a tank house or pumping station.

Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Lien, — collection
of wages.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of W. J. Shields and others for such revision of the present lien law as will better protect the workmen in the collection of their wages.

Tour-workers
in paper mills.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of John T. Rohan and others for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Timothy Aiken and others for legislation relating to lines and pilotage fees in Wood's Holl harbor. Lines and pilotage fees in Wood's Holl harbor.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the Newbury Gas Company for a change of name. Newbury Gas Company.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Samuel W. Hopkinson and others that they may be incorporated as "The Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute." Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of the Homœopathic Medical Dispensary for leave to hold additional real and personal estate. Homœopathic Medical Dispensary.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Daniel G. Walton and others for an act of incorporation as the Wakefield Industrial School Company. Wakefield Industrial School Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of James Holehouse relative to the book entitled "Records of the Massachusetts Volunteers," which falsely represents him as a deserter. James Holehouse.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, petition of Jane Parks of Cambridge for an annuity. Jane Parks.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Charles F. Woodward, major of the Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., that an allowance of \$12,000 be granted to the Sixth Regiment to defray the expenses of a trip of said regiment to New York, April 30, 1889. Sixth Regiment, M. V. M.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, petition of Mary K. Johnson that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Mary K. Johnson.

By the same gentleman, petition of John C. Orcutt that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. John C. Orcutt.

By the same gentleman, petition of Mary A. S. Batterman that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Mary A. S. Batterman.

By the same gentleman, petition of Mrs. Catherine B. Burroughs for State aid. Catherine B. Burroughs.

By Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of Josiah Pickett and others for legislation that may authorize them to issue commissions as military officers to the superintendent's staff and battalion officers of the battalion at the Quinsigamond Natural History School. Quinsigamond Natural History School.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of John G. B. Adams and others, trustees of the Soldiers' Home, for an appropriation of \$50,000 to build an addition to said Home. Soldiers' Home.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Pleasant Street
Baptist Church
of Worcester.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, petition of the trustees of the Pleasant Street Baptist Church of Worcester for such legislation as shall enable them to sell and convey real estate held by them in trust for said church. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Salary of the
justice of the
municipal
court, Charles-
town district,
of Boston.
Salary of clerk
to the district
attorney for
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petitions of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston for an increase of salary.

By the same gentleman, petition of the clerk to the district attorney for Suffolk County for an increase of salary. Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Standing wood
at grade cross-
ings.

By Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, petition of Franklyn Howland for such legislation as will cause the removal of standing wood at grade crossings, where said crossings occur in woodlands. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Draws in
Charles River
bridge.

By Mr. Albree of Boston, petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridge. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Taxation of
vessels engaged
in the foreign
carrying trade.

By Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, petition of the city of New Bedford that the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade, be renewed and extended. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Ipswich Water
Company.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of Charles A. Sayward and others for an act of incorporation as the Ipswich Water Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Contracts
between hus-
band and wife.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of Mary A. Greene and Lelia J. Robinson for such legislation as will enable husband and wife to make contracts with one another directly.

Alewife fishery,
—Hanson.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of the fish committee of Hanson for an amendment of section 4, chapter 44 of the Acts of the year 1881, relating to the alewife fishery in the town of Hanson.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, petition of William H. Stoneham. Sprague and others that Stoneham may be transferred from the first to the fourth district court of eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the South Hadley. selectmen of the town of South Hadley for authority to sell and convey a certain cemetery in said town.

By Mr. Stanley of North Attleborough, petition of Fred B. Byram. Fred B. Byram for confirmation of his acts as justice of the peace.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, petition of William F. Driesman. William F. Driesman. for the payment of \$241.75 wrongly paid to the Commonwealth in 1877. Referred to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Packard of Conway, petition of Anna B. Newhall and others that the prohibitory amendment may be submitted to the people with the same wording as passed by the last General Court. Prohibitory amendment. Placed on file.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Means of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of requiring by further legislation such provisions and safeguards as shall better protect life and property from the danger of overhead electric wires in cities. Overhead electric wires.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 163 of the Acts of the year 1879, chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1886, chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1887, and any other laws applicable thereto, so as to provide for the establishment of municipal voting districts in the city of Boston, for the election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards, and to alter the number of aldermen or councilmen, if desired. Election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of so amending the Constitution as to provide for the appointment of clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency. Clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency.

Board of exam-
iners for public
and private
schools.

On motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of establishing a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all schools, both public and private, to see that the education given in such schools comes up to the standard required by law.

Westfield State
Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Crane of Westfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing the Board of Education to purchase a suitable lot of land in the town of Westfield, and to erect thereon a new State Normal School building, and to sell the present lot and school buildings thereon now occupied by the Westfield State Normal School, or to enlarge the present lot and erect a new school building thereon for the use of said Normal School.

Truancy.

On motion of Mr. Church of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of changing the law relating to truancy, so as to include among the classes of children affected by its provisions those who persistently refuse to comply with the reasonable rules and regulations of the school.

Assessment and
registration of
voters.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending chapter 271 of the Acts of the year 1885 as to make it obligatory for the assessor to require a written list of all persons resident in any house on the first day of May, from the person who may be made responsible therefor; also, to define more closely what constitutes a residence for voting purposes, and to revise the provisions for registration, voting lists and qualifications of voters and candidates.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to provide that any distinguishing mark may be used to indicate the choice of the voter; to provide as to the effect of writing or pasting a name on the ballot; to provide that the entire list of any party may be voted in a block; to allow city clerks time to print ballots; and any other changes required to add to the efficiency of said Act.

On motion of Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1887 concerning the use of gill nets or set nets within one-half a mile of the shores of Mattapoisett.

Gill nets and set nets on the shores of Mattapoisett.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 141 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the disposition of estates of married women, by striking out the words, "leaving issue and."

Disposition of estates of married women.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of extending any provisions of law relating to the employment of children under fourteen years of age to children under sixteen years of age, who cannot read and write the English language.

Employment of minors.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 18 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as to reduce the maximum punishment therein named, or of so amending section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes as to increase the maximum punishment therein named, to the end that said statutes may be in harmony with each other.

Penalties for violation of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Brown of North Adams, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law for the reimbursement of cities and towns for moneys expended in detecting and prosecuting certain violations of chapter 100, and sections 6 and 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, by giving to such cities and towns a more liberal portion of fines imposed.

Reimbursement of cities and towns for moneys expended in prosecuting the violations of the liquor law.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as will amend chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that one license of the first five classes may be granted in the city of Boston for every three hundred and fifty of the inhabitants thereof.

Liquor licenses in Boston.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law con-

Liquor licenses.

sider the expediency of such legislation as will exempt from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, licenses of the fourth and fifth classes, under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, doing business in the city of Boston, from six o'clock A.M. to six o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. Paige of Amherst, —

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing an additional number of the twenty-sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

House of cor-
rection and jail
in Cambridge.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of extending the limits of the house of correction and jail in Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer, —

Settlement of
paupers.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending chapter 83 of the Public Statutes, relating to settlement of paupers, as to shorten the time of residence necessary to acquire a settlement, also decreasing the number of taxes required to be paid.

On motion of Mr. Dearing of Braintree, —

Boards of health
in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation requiring towns to elect boards of health upon which no town officer shall serve, and authorizing said boards to secure medical or expert advice in cases before them.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, —

Returns of
births.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relative to requiring physicians to return monthly a list of births, by striking out, in lines 2 and 3 of said section, the words, "except Boston."

On motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, —

Registry and
return of births,
marriages and
deaths.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending sections 5, 6, 8 and 17 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relating to the registry and return of births and deaths, and sections 17 and 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, relating to marriage.

On motion of Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, —

Register of pro-
bate and insolv-
ency for the
county of Wor-
cester.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of allowing a further sum for extra

clerical assistance than is now allowed by law, to the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth County.

Salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth County.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation increasing the salary of the justice of the district court of east Norfolk.

Salary of the justice of the district court of east Norfolk.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation requiring railroad corporations to make quarterly returns of their gross and net earnings to the Railroad Commissioners.

Return of gross and net earnings by railroads.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the overcrowding of horse-cars.

Overcrowding of horse-cars.

On motion of Mr. Dame of Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of renewing, and extending for five years, the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

Taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 98 of the Public Statutes, and statutes amendatory of the same, so as to prevent all retail sales of cigars or tobacco in any form by any person on the Lord's day, except by licensed inn-holders, who may sell to the persons to whom they are allowed to sell spirituous or intoxicating liquors on said day.

Sale of cigars and tobacco on the Lord's day.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that no court or private way be laid out over private lands without the approval of the board of officers authorized to lay out town ways in the city or town where such lands are situated.

Private ways over private lands.

- Policy playing
and lottery
policies.
- On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent policy playing and the sale of lottery policies.
- Sunday enter-
tainments.
- On motion of Mr. Means of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such amendment of chapter 98, section 1, as to more clearly define what may be a lawful entertainment under license regularly issued under chapter 102, section 105, and known as Sunday entertainments.
- Proof of city
ordinances.
- On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that a copy of the ordinances of a city, duly certified by the city clerk, shall be *prima facie* evidence of such ordinances.
- Employers'
liability.
- On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887 as to do away with the requirement that notice of the time, place and cause of the accident shall be given within thirty days thereafter, to entitle any person to obtain the benefit of the Act; and generally to amend said Act in such other respects as shall make it conform to the intent and purpose of the Act, as expressed in its title.
- Stables.
- On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing sections 38 and 39 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to the erection and maintaining of stables.
- Compilation of
laws relating to
municipal cor-
porations.
- On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for a compilation of all the statutes of the Commonwealth which relate to municipal corporations.
- Minors engaged
in mercantile
business.
- On motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring all persons under 21 years of age, who are about engaging in mercantile business, to file with the clerk of the city or town in which they intend to transact such business, an affidavit setting forth such fact that they are not of the age of 21 years.

On motion of Mr. Carter of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of revising chapter 63 of the Public Statutes, for the survey and sale of lumber, as recommended in the message of His Excellency the Governor.

Sale and survey of lumber.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Warren, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court for western Worcester; viz., in the towns of Warren, West Brookfield, Hardwick, New Braintree, Oakham, North Brookfield, Brookfield and Spencer.

District court of western Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 22 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relating to debts due from heirs, legatees, etc., by providing for the appointment of commissioners to set off real estate.

Commissioners to set off real estate.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing for additional clerical assistance in the registry of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk.

Clerical assistance in the registry of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 137 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to fees and costs in insolvency.

Fees and costs in insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending the statutes relating to poor debtors as to provide: First, for making more certain the method of authorizing arrests, when the time for the return of an execution has expired. Second, that the clerks of courts having jurisdiction in poor debtor proceedings may sign all notices, certificates and other forms required by said statutes, and may, at all times, administer all oaths required in such proceedings. Third, for the further admitting to bail and recognizance and commitment of poor debtors. Fourth, that any officer qualified to serve civil process may serve all notices required in said proceedings. Fifth, for the establishment of fees for officers on the arrest and examination of poor debtors.

Poor debtors.

The following order, offered by Mr. Swallow of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Issuance of
blank tax bills.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 204 of the Public Statutes in such manner as to include therein and make punishable by the provisions of said chapter the issuance of blank tax bills by persons not connected with the assessor's office of the city of Boston, or of any other city or town, the filling in thereof by persons not connected with said office, and the delivery of the same in blank out of said office.

Introduced on Leave.

Histories of
military organi-
zations of Mas-
sachusetts in the
War of the
Rebellion.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, a Resolve in relation to purchase and distribution of histories of military organizations of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Intoxicating
liquors, — drug-
gists.

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, a Bill to better regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists for medicinal, chemical and mechanical purposes, not to be drunk on the premises. Read and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Superintend-
ents of streets
in towns.

By Mr. Gardner of Raynham, a Bill requiring towns to elect superintendents of streets. Read and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order of trial of
criminal cases.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill in relation to the order of trial of criminal cases. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation in amendment of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the printing and distributing of ballots, and the regulation of voting at elections.

Apportionment
of State polls.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes so that when the State poll exceeds in amount the sum of five cents, the

excess above said amount shall be apportioned upon property, as provided by this chapter.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887 as to provide "that said act shall not impair any rights or remedies for the recovery of damages for personal injuries which would have existed had said act not been passed."

Recovery of
damages for
personal
injuries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making such change in the existing laws as will allow the appointment of registers of deeds by the governor or otherwise, instead of having them elected by popular vote.

Registers of
deeds.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation extending the powers of the Board of Gas Commissioners with reference to the placing of electric light wires, and of such legislation as will authorize the granting of temporary licenses.

Board of Gas
Commissioners,
—electric light
wires.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the feeding of swill, decayed or rotten vegetable matter, and the refuse from distilleries, to cows.

Feeding of swill
to cows.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the controller of county accounts and of the two clerks in the office of said controller.

Salary of the
controller of
county ac-
counts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing for the abolition of any or all of such grade crossings as are completed, in recommendation and plan, in the report of the special commissioners on grade crossings.

Abolition of
grade crossings.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston:—

Ordered, That the committee on State House be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
State House.

A report of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the trustees of the ministerial fund of the First Parish in Boxford for authority to make loans of said funds out of the Commonwealth, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

First Parish in
Boxford.

Salary of the clerk of the third district court of Bristol.

A Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Bristol (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

A Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Northampton Street Railway Company.

The House Bill to enable the Northampton Street Railway Company to issue bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment thereof, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting in section 1, line 5, after the word "dollars," the words, "bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, — deposits by order of the courts.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits by order of the courts, and asking that the same be referred to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

State Topographical Survey.

Message from the Governor, transmitting the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1888, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

A communication from the State Board of Health, transmitting a report upon the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Drainage.

Dairy products.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: Petitions of A. T. Metcalf and others; South Hadley Grange, No. 160, Patrons of Husbandry, and others; and Boylston Grange, No. 111, Patrons of Husbandry, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Burial of soldiers and sailors.

Petition of E. K. Wilcox, Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines who may hereafter die without

sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same.

Petition of Patrick M. Drummey for an annuity.

Patrick M.
Drummey.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Robert I. Burbank for increase of salary as standing justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
justice of the
municipal
court of South
Boston.

Petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to locate, build and operate its road from the dividing line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to the city of Springfield. To the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Western Rail-
road.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Barney McCabe of Lowell that a certain sum of money be paid to him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth as back bounty.

Barney McCabe.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John McDevitt for payment of a bounty for services in the United States navy during the late Rebellion, as a part of the quota of the Commonwealth.

John McDevitt.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1888, on the subject of completing and perfecting the records of officers and enlisted men who served from Massachusetts in the army and navy during the War of the Rebellion.

Records of offi-
cers and enlisted
men who served
in the army and
navy during the
Rebellion.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to lay and maintain tracks on Main Street in said city.

East Side Street
Railway Com-
pany of Brock-
ton.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Probate courts
in Plymouth
County.

By Mr. McDonough of Fall River, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, relative to the places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of
auditor of
accounts.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the auditor of accounts ought to pass.

Criminal
insane.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Charles D.
Jenkins.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Charles D. Jenkins ought to pass.

William S.
Shurtleff.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of William S. Shurtleff ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The Bill to amend the charter of the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Westfield to issue additional water bonds ; and

Relating to the further publication of laws ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, was further considered, and was ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a third time, and considered. On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. On motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, it was voted that speeches be limited to five minutes each. After debate, on the question of agreeing to the article of amendment, the yeas and nays were taken, and the vote was 161 yeas to 69 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Yeas.	Messrs.
Adams, Warren W.		Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Alden, Jared F.		Douglas, William S.
Allen, Montessor T.		Dubuque, Hugo A.
Atherton, Horace H.		Eldridge, Albert R.
Ayres, George		Ferren, Myron J.
Babbitt, Rollin H.		Foote, Charles N.
Bancroft, Lewis M.		Frost, Henry
Barker, Thomas E.		Gardiner, Charles B.
Barnes, Franklin O.		Giddings, Theodore
Bennett, John O.		Gilman, Gorham D.
Berry, Francis T.		Gilman, Thomas K.
Bicknell, Thomas W.		Glasgow, Edward B.
Bigelow, Alden M.		Gordon, William, Jr.
Bixby, Charles C.		Gould, John B.
Bliss, George		Gracey, Samuel L.
Blodgett, Percival		Grant, Charles, Jr.
Bond, Nelson F.		Gray, Robert S.
Bonney, J. Dean		Greenwood, Abner
Botlum, John B.		Hale, William M.
Bowman, Robert H.		Hamilton, Henry D.
Brewer, Edward W.		Hanson, Charles H.
Brewster, Charles K.		Harris, Robert O.
Brooks, A. Olin		Harvey, James W.
Brooks, Horace S.		Haseltine, Phineas W.
Brooks, William H.		Haskell, Forbes P.
Brown, Edward F.		Hayes, Elihu B.
Cannell, Joseph H.		Henry, Robert
Carpenter, George N.		Hildreth, John
Carter, Charles E.		Hixon, William S.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.		Holbrook, John D.
Church, Moses D.		Holder, Langdon H.
Clemence, George L.		Holman, Frank E.
Conant, Nelson B.		Howes, Charles
Connell, Thomas H.		Howland, Willard
Conwell, David		Hutchinson, John F.
Cook, Louis A.		Johnson, Henry H.
Crane, Robert B.		Kempton, David B.
Crowell, Joshua		Kimball, John W.
Curtis, Francis C.		Kimball, Rufus
Cutler, Nahum S.		Kittredge, Francis W.
Cutting, George W.		Lane, Hiram B.
Dallinger, Frank W.		Lattimore, Andrew B.
Dame, Luther		Leach, William W.
Davis, Epes		Lincoln, James D.
Davis, Joshua H.		Lovell, Clarence P.
Dearing, T. Haven		Macfarlane, John
Dewey, Henry S.		Marchant, Cornelius B.

Messrs. Martin, James P.	Messrs. Russell, Irving L.
McCall, Samuel W.	Russell, Stillman
Mead, Albert	Sanger, Chester F.
Means, Robert F.	Shepard, Charles H.
Mendall, Noah F.	Shepard, George A.
Merrill, John F.	Sherman, Everett F.
Milton, Henry S.	Slocum, George W.
Morison, Frank	Slocum, Winfield S.
Newhall, Albert H.	Smalley, Anthony
Nichols, William H.	Smith, Henry O.
Norcross, J. Henry	Sohier, William D.
Oakman, Henry P.	Spring, Charles E.
Packard, John B.	Sprout, William B.
Paige, Frank E.	Stanley, Stephen
Patridge, Joseph A.	Stearns, George C.
Perry, Charles	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Stover, Martin L.
Pierce, John N.	Taft, Edgar S.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Plaisted, John W.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Porter, Charles F.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Potter, Lurin J.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Preble, William H.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Prevoux, John J.	Wales, Abijah T.
Purrlington, Ellis B.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Putnam, Charles C.	White, William L., Jr.
Qua, Francis W.	Wilkins, John H.
Raymond, Francis H.	Witt, Charles T.
Reed, George A.	Wood, Samuel
Richards, James H.	Woodward, Charles F.
Ripley, John B.	Worth, Ira A.
Rogers, George C.	Wyckoff, William A.
Rowell, William R.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Rugg, Charles P.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, John	Messrs. Carroll, Peter T.
Alden, Thomas	Clayton, Horace E.
Atherton, Ralph L.	Coveney, John W.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Cronin, James M.
Barry, Richard M.	Crowley, John H.
Beck, Walter P.	Desmond, Jeremiah
Bennett, Charles H.	Duggan, Thomas H.
Blume, Andreas	Eddy, Lyman R.
Brady, Peter J.	Edwards, John
Brown, Orland J.	Eldredge, George D.
Burgess, John H.	Farren, Thomas G.
Burke, James J.	Fottler, Jacob
Call, Charles A.	Garvey, Michael J.

Messrs. Gillespie, John F.	Messrs. Morse, I. Porter
Harrington, Z. Taylor	Murphy, William H.
Heslan, John E.	Nolan, Joseph
Howard, John F.	O'Mealey, John W.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	O'Neil, John W.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Parks, Oren B.
Kemp, Horace G.	Perkins, George A.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Pillsbury, Omer
Kimball, Henry A.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Lally, James, Jr.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Leary, Edward J.	Richmond, Albert E.
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Riley, Thomas
McCooley, Thomas	Sanger, George P., Jr.
McDonald, Peter J.	Shaw, Edward P.
McDonough, John H.	Snow, Thomas
McDonough, John J.	Stafford, John H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Sullivan, Edward
McEttrick, Michael J.	Sullivan, John H.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Sullivan, Michael F.
McNary, William S.	Swallow, George N.
Monahan, William H.	Wilcox, Charles M.
Moore, Michael J.	

Yeas, 161 ; Nays, 69.

Two-thirds of the members of the House present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative, the article of amendment was agreed to, in concurrence.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows :—

RESOLVE

Providing for an Amendment to the Constitution, forbidding the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors as a Beverage.

Resolved, That the following article of amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited.

The General Court shall enact suitable legislation to enforce the provisions of this article.

On motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, at four minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

County Estimates.

The estimates of the several counties for taxes for the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurers (except the estimates and accounts for the county of Essex), were received, and referred to the committee on County Estimates.

County estimates,—accounts of county treasurers.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill (introduced on leave) to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways, was taken from the files of last year, and referred to the committee on Street Railways, and sent up for concurrence.

Meigs system of elevated railways.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Conant of Littleton, petitions of Edwin A. Hildreth and others, and of William H. Savage and others; and by Mr. Lattimore of Boston, petition of W. H. Blodget & Co. of Worcester and others, — severally, respecting legislation concerning inspection of apples.

Apples.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Lydia M. Warner for the addition of a woman to the Board of Police Commissioners of Boston.

Board of Police of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of the city of Fall River for authority to lay out and construct a street through a private burial ground known as the Snell Burying Ground.

Snell Burying Ground in Fall River.

By the same gentleman, petition of the city of Fall River for authority to construct a street through a private burial ground known as "Reed's" or "Brightman's" Burial Ground.

Fall River,—Reed's or Brightman's Burial Ground.

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

By Mr. Means of Boston, petition of lot owners in Mount Hope Cemetery that they may be admitted to the control and management of said cemetery.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

Streets and sew-
ers in the city of
New Bedford.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of Charles F. Shaw and others for the establishment of a board or commission to have charge of the streets and sewers in the city of New Bedford.

Somerville
wards.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, petition of F. H. Raymond that the city of Somerville may be divided into eight wards.

Abolishment of
the Boston com-
mon council.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Andreas Blume for such amendment of the charter of the city of Boston as will abolish the common council, and establish a frame of government by a mayor and a single legislative body of not more than thirty-two members.

Fitchburg water
debt.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Eli Culley, mayor of Fitchburg, for authority to refund the water debt of said city.

Fitchburg debt.

By the same gentleman, petition of Eli Culley, mayor of Fitchburg, for authority to refund the general debt of said city.

Fitchburg city
council.

By the same gentleman, petition of Charles T. Crocker and others of Fitchburg to abolish the city council of said city as at present constituted.

Waltham.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, petition of Erskine Warden and others for an amendment to the charter of the city of Waltham.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Appointment
by the Gov-
ernor of district
attorneys, regis-
trars, etc.

By Mr. Davis of Somerville, petition of L. Edwin Dudley and others for the appointment by the Governor, instead of election, of district attorneys, registrars, etc.

Disfranchise-
ment of certain
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of A. A. Putnam and others for an amendment to the Constitution, in place of Article XXVIII. of the Amendments, relating to the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Sewerage and
sewage dis-
posal.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the city of Newburyport for a system of sewerage and sewage disposal. Referred to the committee on Drainage.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, petition of the Association of the Alumni of Harvard College for a change in the law relating to the election of overseers. The Association of the Alumni of Harvard College.

By Mr. Stearns of Dedham, petition of John R. Bullard for legislation to authorize the transfer of the Dedham public library to the town of Dedham. Dedham public library.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of the town of Lincoln for authority to take land to build a school. Lincoln.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of E. P. Tanner and others to abolish the Hopland school district in the town of Lee. Hopland school district in Lee.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, petition of A. R. Sanborn and others for disfranchisement of persons convicted of crimes against the elective franchise, and of infamous crimes. Referred to the committee on Election Laws. Disfranchisement of persons convicted of certain crimes.

By Mr. Pike of Topsfield, petition of J. K. Pearl and others of Boxford for the lease of great ponds in said town for the cultivation of useful fishes. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Useful fishes, — great ponds in Boxford.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, petition of F. W. Dallinger of Cambridge for legislation in regard to the drawbridge of the Boston and Albany Railroad near Cottage Farm station. Drawbridge of the Boston and Albany Railroad near Cottage Farm station.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of The Merrimac River Towing Company for the construction of a draw on a bridge over the Powow River. Draw on a bridge over the Powow River.

Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Court Unity No. 7469, Ancient Order of Foresters, of Blackstone, for a charter of incorporation, and to be allowed to hold real estate and personal property to the amount of \$10,000. Referred to the committee on Insurance. Court Unity No. 7469, Ancient Order of Foresters, of Blackstone.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of W. H. Doble and others for the establishment of a police court in Quincy. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Police court for Quincy.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Thomas I. Green and others for legislation fixing the hours of labor of women and minors under eighteen at fifty-four hours a week. Referred to the committee on Labor. Fixing the hours of labor of women and minors under 18 at 54 hours a week.

Drunkenness.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of B. C. Perkins of Salem for the punishment of drunkenness in public places. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Weymouth.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of C. A. Hunt that the town of Weymouth may be empowered to construct and maintain a system of electric lighting. Referred to the committee on Manufactures, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

**Massachusetts
Water Works
Guarantee
Company.**

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of the Massachusetts Water Works Guarantee Company for an act of incorporation.

**Massachusetts
Standard Tele-
phone Com-
pany.**

By Mr. Keliher of Boston, petition of Wm. B. Cutler and others for an act of incorporation as the Massachusetts Standard Telephone Company.

**Baldwin Place
Home for Little
Wanderers.**

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of E. M. McPherson for an amendment of the charter of the Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers.

**Worcester
Natural History
Society.**

By Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of the Worcester Natural History Society for an amendment to its charter.

**Ashfield Ceme-
tery Associa-
tion.**

By Mr. Howes of Ashfield, petition of A. D. Flower and others for an act of incorporation as a cemetery association, and for authority to the town of Ashfield to convey certain cemeteries to the said association.

**Sanderson
Academy and
School Fund.**

By the same gentleman, petition of the trustees of the Sanderson Academy and School Fund for a change of name and for authority to convey real estate.

**County com-
missioners of
Essex County,
— purchase of
certain build-
ings in Salem.
Pentucket Club.**

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of the county commissioners of Essex County for authority to purchase certain buildings in Salem.

By the same gentleman, petition of A. Washington Chase and others for an act to incorporate the Pentucket Club.

**Club house and
reading room in
city of New
Bedford.**

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of George F. Tucker and others for an act to incorporate a club house and reading room in the city of New Bedford.

**James W.
French, —
Real Estate
Association.**

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of James W. French and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of buying and selling real estate in Suffolk and Middlesex counties.

Fire escapes.

By Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, petition of A. A. Coburn and others asking for further legislation in regard to fire escapes.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Lally of Milford, petition of Mary Fenton for Mary Fenton.
State aid.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Charles A. Sons of Veter-
ans.
Stone of Chelsea that the Sons of Veterans may be per-
mitted to parade in public with arms.

By Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, petition of Jacob Bart- Jacob Bartlett
lett for additional State aid.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, petition of Gustave Stoneham.
Andrews and others that the town bounty be paid to cer-
tain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as
part of the quota of the town of Stoneham.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Ann Noonan Ann Noonan.
that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Eunice M. Eunice M.
and Annie W. Woods.
and Annie W. Woods for State aid.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, petition of Margaret Ann Margaret Ann
Pierce.
Pierce for State aid.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, petition of the First Bat- First Battalion
of Light
Artillery.
talion of Light Artillery for an appropriation to defray the
expenses of a visit of said battalion to New York on the
occasion of the Washington centennial.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of George W. Company L, 6th
Regiment,
M. V. M.
Brady, Captain of Company L, Sixth Regiment, M. V. M.,
for an allowance of one thousand dollars, to assist said
company in defraying the expenses of a trip to Wash-
ington, to attend the inauguration of President Harri-
son.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, petition of Ward Post, Aid to soldiers
and sailors.
G. A. R., of Danvers, for amendment of chapter 438 of
the Acts of the year 1888, relating to pauper aid to sol-
diers and sailors.

By the same gentleman, petition of C. H. Shepard for Bounty or mili-
tary aid to cer-
tain soldiers.
legislation authorizing the town of Danvers to pay bounty
or military aid to certain soldiers.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of the Boston Society Boston Society
of the New
Jerusalem.
of the New Jerusalem for authority to hold additional real
and personal property. Referred to the committee on
Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of N. J. Sullivan Steam machin-
ery in penal
institutions.
and others for such legislation as will prohibit the use of
steam machinery in penal institutions for mechanical and
manufacturing purposes.

Newburyport
jail.

By Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, petition of Albert C. Titcomb and others for an amendment of section 1, chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to empowering the county commissioners of Essex County to enlarge the jail at Newburyport.

House of cor-
rection in
Middlesex
County.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of John M. Fisk and others for authority to take certain land for an addition to the house of correction in Middlesex County.

Severally referred to the committee on Prisons.

New England
Industrial
School for Deaf
Mutes.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, petition of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes for State aid toward the support of said school. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Salary of the
clerk of the po-
lice court of
Newburyport.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of Edward F. Bartlett, clerk of the police court of Newburyport, for an increase of salary.

Salary of
county com-
missioners of
Essex County.
Salaries of con-
stables of Rox-
bury district
court.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of the county commissioners of Essex County for an increase of salary.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of William A. Blossom and Richard F. Andrews, constables of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of Boston, for an increase of salaries.

Salary of jus-
tice of fourth
district court
of Plymouth.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of Francis M. Vaughn, justice of the fourth district court of Plymouth, for an increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Boston and
Lowell Rail-
road.

By Mr. Holder of Lynn, petition of Michael J. Carroll and others for an investigation of certain acts of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Company. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Repair of roads
and bridges.

By Mr. Newhall of Sterling, petition of H. E. Morton and others for a change of the laws in relation to the repairs of roads and bridges.

Newbury
bridges.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the selectmen of Newbury for reimbursement of money expended in the construction of certain bridges.

Newburyport
bridge.

By the same gentleman, petition of the city of Newburyport for reimbursement of money expended in the erection of Newburyport bridge, so called.

Public landings
in city of New-
buryport.

By the same gentleman, petition of the city of Newburyport for a discontinuance of the public landings in said city.

By Mr. Hale of Taunton, petition of J. L. Macomber, Jr., and others, for legislation regulating the width of the running gear of vehicles. Width of running gear of vehicles.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of B. C. Perkins of Salem for legislation to prevent nuisances on street railways by intoxicated persons. Referred to the committee on Street Railways. Intoxicated persons on street railways.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, petition of East Middlesex Street Railway Company for an amendment to its charter, so that it may locate, maintain and operate a street railway in Wakefield. Wakefield,—East Middlesex Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of Frank M. Ames and others to be incorporated as the Boston Electric Elevated Railroad Company. Boston Electric Elevated Railroad Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations. Taxation of Grand Army associations.

By Mr. Grant of Revere, petition of Benjamin Dewing and others to regulate the taxation of farm lands. Taxation of farm lands.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of Edward W. Cate for an additional water supply, for fire, domestic and other purposes, in the city of Newton. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Water supply for Newton.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of Daniel L. Milliken and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to hold the office of justice of the peace. Women as justices of the peace.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of William A. Tower and others of Lexington, Arlington, Belmont and Bedford, that the said towns may be made a judicial district. Judicial district for Lexington, Arlington, Belmont and Bedford.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Cornelius Wellington and others of Arlington for the establishment of a district court at Arlington. Arlington,—district court.

Labor on the
Lord's day.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Walter Johnson and others for such legislation as will prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, and for which double compensation shall be allowed.

Cemetery in
city of New
Bedford.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the city council of New Bedford, for an Act to authorize said city to remove the bodies from a certain cemetery in said city, and to secure the legal title thereof to the said city.

Lord's day, —
tug boats.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of J. Fullerton and others for legislation relative to the letting of yachts and boats, and the employment of tug boats on the Lord's day.

Superior court
in the county of
Franklin.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, petition of C. C. Conant for a change in the sitting of the superior court in the county of Franklin.

Samuel C. Hart
and others, —
Cottage City
Gas Company.

By Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, petition of Samuel C. Hart and others for an Act to establish the validity of certain mortgages given to them by the Cottage City Gas Company.

Sandisfield.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, petition of George A. Shepard for confirmation of the acts of a certain town meeting of the town of Sandisfield.

Onset Street
Railroad Com-
pany.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, petition of the Onset Street Railway Company for legislation to confirm the acts of the selectmen of the town of Wareham in granting them a location.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

William Cogswell.

By Mr. Stover of Haverhill, petition of William Cogswell that he may be compensated for services as medical examiner.

Frank B. Sanborn.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Frank B. Sanborn for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Finance.

Truant school
for Essex
County.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of the county commissioners of Essex County for authority to borrow a sum not exceeding \$25,000 for the purpose of building a truant school.

City of Lawrence, — truant
school in Essex
County.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, petition of the city of Lawrence to be exempted from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County.

Severally referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Paige of Amherst, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to an appropriation of money by the Congress of the United States for the support of agricultural experiment stations, so that the Massachusetts Agricultural College shall be designated and authorized to receive the same, and make an annual report to the Governor.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of further legislation relative to supervision of real estate mortgage companies incorporated outside the Commonwealth, and doing business within it.

Real estate
mortgage com-
panies.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of providing by proper laws for the submission of the prohibitory amendment to the people at a special election, and for laws concerning the registration of voters and the lists of persons qualified to vote on said amendment, and such other legislation as may be needed for the purpose.

Constitutional
amendment, —
Intoxicating
liquors.

On motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the establishment of manual training schools of the primary and grammar school grades in cities and towns, to be supported in part by the Commonwealth.

Manual training
schools.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 342 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the incorporation of the Cary Library, and give proper notice to that effect.

Cary Library.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of making certain repairs and modifications of the State Normal School building at Salem.

State Normal
School at Salem.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending the law regulating the

Overseers of
Harvard Col-
lege.

election of the overseers of Harvard College as not to require the specification in which term candidates shall serve.

Employment of
children.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the employment of children, so as to more effectually accomplish the objects of said Act.

Deaf mutes or
deaf children.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending chapter 239 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to provide that deaf mutes or deaf children may be sent to or continue in the institutions mentioned in said Act for a longer term than the existing limitation of ten years.

Hopland school
district.

On motion of Mr. Foote of Lee, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of abolishing the Hopland school district in the town of Lee, annulling its charter, and disposition of the funds held by the said district.

National flag on
public school
buildings.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for the erection and maintenance of the national flag on all public school buildings.

Registration of
voters.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 15 of chapter 6 of the Public Statutes that the name of the person seeking to be registered as a voter shall be called out in a loud tone of voice by the registrars of voters.

Registration
and election in
the city of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Albree of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to registration and election in the city of Boston.

Voting pre-
cincts in cities
and towns.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide a larger number of voting precincts in cities and towns.

Australian sys-
tem of voting, —
assistance in
marking ballots.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 25 of chapter 436 of

the Acts of the year 1888, relating to voters receiving assistance in marking their ballots.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider Caucuses. the expediency of so amending chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to further regulate voting at caucuses or public meetings of qualified voters.

On motion of Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Commissioners of great ponds in Edgartown. consider the expediency of amending chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1881, so that commissioners, as provided therein, may be appointed for each of the ponds named in said Act, instead of one board of commissioners for both of said ponds.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Tisbury great pond. be instructed to consider whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to the lease of fisheries in Tisbury great pond, so called, in the island of Martha's Vineyard, to protect the Commonwealth's interest therein, and whether the same should be renewed.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Martha's Vineyard. consider the expediency of repealing chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1863, forbidding the opening of the beach between "Great Pond," on the island of Martha's Vineyard, and the ocean.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public South Boston flats. Lands consider what legislation is necessary to develop the property of the Commonwealth at South Boston by providing better access thereto, and to enable the city of Boston to defray such expenses as by law it may be obliged to incur in carrying out such improvements.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, by inserting, instead of the words, "not exceeding twenty per cent.," the words, "not less than twenty per cent.;" and also amending section 11 of the same chapter, by striking out all the words after the

Fraternal Beneficiary Association.

word "State," in the second line, and inserting therein, "may transact business in this Commonwealth as herein defined without incorporating under this act, by conforming in other respects to the foregoing provisions and to the requirements of section 13 of this act: *provided*, that similar organizations of this State shall be permitted to transact business defined in this act under equally favorable regulations in such other State from which said organizations may apply to transact business in this Commonwealth."

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Insurance companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation amending section 74 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the calling of meetings and the manner of voting thereat, by proxy or otherwise; also of amending section 25 of said chapter, relating to the manner of electing directors and the filling of vacancies in boards of directors.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending sections 29 and 80 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that companies authorized to insure against bodily injury and death by accident may also insure against the liability of employers for injuries to persons in their employment.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Estates of married women.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 141 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the distribution of the estates of married women.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, —

Administration of trusts created by deed or will.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider whether, in suits in relation to the legality on the administration of trusts created by deed or will, any further legislation is necessary for protecting the interest of parties having contingent interests under the same.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Employment of children.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 348, of the Acts of the year 1888, by inserting after the word "read" the word "intelligently," by inserting after the words "at sight" the words "in a grammar school reader," and by

striking out the word "simple" and inserting the word "ordinary."

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of further legislation with respect to the exemption of children who have graduated at a grammar school or other school of the same degree of efficiency from the provisions of section 7 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that such children may not be required to attend school for 20 weeks between the ages of thirteen and fourteen years.

Employment of children.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting by law the employment of other than citizens of this Commonwealth by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein.

Employment of persons not citizens by the State, and cities and towns.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary to enforce the constitutional amendment providing for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, provided said amendment shall be ratified and approved by the people before the close of the present legislative session.

Constitutional amendment,—intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of additional legislation relating to the voting at meetings of corporations by proxy or attorney.

Voting by proxy or attorney at meetings of corporations.

On motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of what further legislation is required to better protect life and property by placing electric wires underground in cities:

Electric wires underground.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing that the alterations and repairs upon the Newburyport jail be done under the direction of the Board of County Commissioners of the county of Essex.

Newburyport jail.

Newburyport
jail.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of a further appropriation of five thousand dollars for alterations and repairs of Newburyport jail.

Sarah J. Robin-
son.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of making an appropriation for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, confined in the jail at Lowell, the said Robinson having been convicted of a capital offence.

Notification in
cases of death.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation requiring the clerks of cities and towns in this Commonwealth to notify, in case of the death, within their limits, of a person resident in another city or town in the Commonwealth, the proper authorities of the town or city of which the said person was a resident.

Cremation of
garbage.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation requiring the cremation of garbage, swill and other substances that may become deleterious to the public health in the cities of the Commonwealth.

Clerk of the
Board of Police
of Boston.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the Board of Police of Boston.

Information to
be posted of
derailment,
snow blockades
and other acci-
dents on steam
railroads.

On motion of Mr. Cronin of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation so as to protect the public travelling on steam railroads by requiring information to be posted in proper places of derailment, snow blockades, or other accidents, soon after they occur; and consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature.

Grade crossings
in cities and
towns.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing that the directors of a railroad company and the board of officers authorized to lay out ways in a city or town may make arrangements to abolish a grade crossing in such city or town, by such a plan and on such terms and conditions as they may agree upon,

and that such arrangements shall be binding upon and be carried out by the city or town and the railroad company.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation relative to the issuing of bonds by street railway companies. Issuing of bonds by street railway companies.

On motion of Mr. Bowman of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation providing for the issuance of transfer checks by street railway companies operated in any city of more than 100,000 inhabitants. Transfer checks on street railways.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be authorized to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary for the proper despatch of business pending before said committee. Committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Leicester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of enacting a law requiring that all contracts made by towns, involving an expenditure exceeding the sum of two hundred dollars, shall be made by advertising a sufficient time previously for proposals respecting the same. Contracts made by towns.

On motion of Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of some general legislation concerning the division of towns, which will relieve the Legislature and better protect the municipalities concerned. Division of towns.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the Governor and Council be requested to place on exhibition the different plans for addition to the State House upon which prizes have been awarded. Exhibition of plans for addition to the State House.

The following order, offered by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, was adopted, under a suspension of House Rules 38 and 48 : —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes. Assessment and collection of taxes.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hale of Taunton, was considered : —

Gas Commissioners, — for
cign gas com-
panies.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of placing all gas companies outside this Commonwealth under the control of the Gas Commissioners, in the same manner as insurance companies are controlled by Insurance Commissioners.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend by striking out the words "Mercantile Affairs," and inserting in place thereof the word "Manufactures." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

The following order, offered by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, was considered : —

Settlement of
claims for pen-
sions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of such legislation as shall repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 396 of the Public Statutes, entitled, "An Act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions."

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "Public Service," and inserting in place thereof the words "Military Affairs." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, was considered : —

Judge of pro-
bate and insol-
vency for
Middlesex
County.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for Middlesex County.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend by striking out the words "Probate and Insolvency," and inserting in place thereof the words "Public Service." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Corporations to
examine and
guarantee titles
to real estate.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 180 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the formation of corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate, so that such corporations shall have the same powers and privileges as to personal and other property that they now have as to real estate.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Attorneys at
law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider

the expediency of providing by law that no attorney at law shall be held for trial in the Superior Court in any county, who is actually engaged in the trial of a cause in said court in any other county.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 61 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of persons committed to houses of correction for certain offences, as to include within the provisions of said section persons committed for offences mentioned in section 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and persons convicted under section 27 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes of a third offence of drunkenness.

Support of persons committed to houses of correction.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for the holding of sessions of the Superior Court at Holyoke.

Sessions of Superior Court at Holyoke.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making certain the application of the statute of limitations to foreign corporations having an agent for the purpose of service within the Commonwealth.

Foreign corporations.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the provisions of chapter 180 of the Acts of 1888 relating to the payment of witness fees shall not apply to the county of Suffolk.

Payment of witness fees.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation so as to provide for the non-committal of persons convicted of the second offence of drunkenness to the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Second offence of drunkenness.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to juvenile offenders that the costs in cases against such offenders shall be paid by the city or town in which an offence by such juvenile is committed.

Juvenile offenders.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Support of in-
valid children.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation as to support of invalid children by their parents.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Support of per-
sons committed
to lock-ups.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 34, chapter 27 of the Public Statutes so as to provide for the abolition of the expense charged for the detention and support of persons committed to any lock-up.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea,—

Massachusetts
Society for the
Prevention of
Cruelty to Chil-
dren.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by statute that the commissioned agents of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, who hold a police or constable's warrant, may serve processes in cases of neglected or abused children in any part of the State.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Vagrant minors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes so that it shall apply to children as well as adults, except that the punishment for boys under fifteen shall be commitment to the Lyman School at Westborough, and for girls under seventeen, to the State Industrial School at Lancaster.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Neglected chil-
dren.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1882 by increasing the penalty of fine provided by said Act.

Also, to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending sections 18, 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 48 of Public Statutes concerning neglected children.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Illegal peddling
and begging by
minors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire if chapter 432 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to illegal peddling and begging by certain minors, should be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and such minor, when so found, may be held in custody until such parent or employer can be found."

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Neglected chil-
dren.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing that children over four-

teen years of age, who reside or are found in reputed houses of ill-fame, assignation or gambling houses, may be considered neglected children under chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1882 and chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1883.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that all persons following the business of boarding children under fourteen years of age, for hire, shall procure a license from the public authorities of cities and towns, and providing for such inspection of said boarding houses as may be deemed necessary.

Boarding children.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for the disposal and distribution of legacies, and all sums of money or the proceeds thereof deposited or invested by authority of the Probate Court, and which shall have remained unclaimed for a period of twenty years from the allowance of the will containing such legacy or from the date of such deposit.

Disposal of unclaimed legacies.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 72 of the Acts of the year 1886 so as to still further limit and prevent the sale or gift of cigarettes to minors.

Sale or gift of cigarettes to minors.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes as to dispense with the requirement of filing written interrogatories and cross-interrogatories in taking the deposition of a witness without the Commonwealth before issuance of a commission therefor, and of providing for the greater facility in taking such depositions.

Depositions of witnesses without the Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 129 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes so that the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court shall have power in equity upon the suit or petition of not less than ten taxable inhabitants of any city or town to prevent the payment of money from the treasury of a city or town for illegal purposes, and to prevent the abuse or violation of corporate powers.

Abuse of corporate powers, — payment of money of cities or towns for illegal purposes.

Temporary
loans of towns
in anticipation
of taxes.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes and section 4 of chapter 312 of the laws of 1885, so that towns may incur debts for temporary loans during the municipal or financial year in anticipation of the taxes of the corresponding year.

Costs in
inferior courts.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation in the matter of taxing, certifying, revising and paying costs which accrue in the inferior courts and before trial justices.

Real estate
titles, — protec-
tion of pur-
chasers of real
estate.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and of defining the lands to be affected.

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to protect purchasers of real estate against conveyances and other instruments affecting the title thereof made by the grantor or other person executing, or to be bound by the same by a name other than his own or other than that by which he shall have acquired title, and against claims required to be of record against land or the owner of land under a name other than the real name of the owner or that by which he shall have acquired title.

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of protecting purchasers of real estate against claims arising out of proceedings at law or in equity and judgments and decrees hereafter rendered, unless notice of the same shall have been filed for record in the registry of deeds for the county or district where the land lies; and in relation to the recording of such notices.

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for record notice of all instruments and transactions affecting the title to real estate.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation to provide a convenient means whereby purchasers of real estate may be informed of marriages and divorces which may affect the title thereof, and in relation to protecting such purchasers against claims arising under marriages not made known to them.

Real estate titles, — protection of purchasers of real estate.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the record of assignments in insolvency in every county or registry district where any land of the insolvent lies, and as to the protection of purchasers of such lands against assignments not so recorded.

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation for protecting purchasers of real estate, claiming under deeds and other instruments apparently affecting the title thereof recorded although never delivered.

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of codifying the pauper laws of the Commonwealth.

Pauper laws.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Judiciary consider the expediency of restraining and declaring illegal and making penal all transactions and dealings in stocks, in exchanges commonly called “bucket shops.”

“Bucket shops.”

On motion of Mr. Foote of Lee, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the appointment of a clerk for the police court at Lee.

Police court at Lee.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 70 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes as to include within its provisions others than the original mortgagors.

Mortgages of personal property.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to provide for the

Entry of writs and processes in municipal, district and police courts.

entry of writs and processes in municipal, district and police courts after the return or entry day thereof.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Protection of
life in burning
buildings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the protection of life in burning buildings and other structures, and for means of escape therefrom.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn,—

Licensing
plumbers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 105, of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the registration and licensing of plumbers, so that pipes used for the delivery of water may be placed in the control of public water boards.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen,—

Jurors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of revising and amending the Statutes of the Commonwealth in relation to the preparation of jury lists, the qualification and exemption of jurors, the right of challenge of jurors, and generally to amend chapter 170 of the Public Statutes and all Acts in amendment thereof.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston,—

Actions by and
against the city
of Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that actions by and against the city of Boston shall be brought either in Suffolk County or Middlesex County.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill,—

Constables.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will require city and town clerks to return to clerks of courts a list of all constables elected.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston,—

Officers in at-
tendance on
municipal
courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the powers and duties of officers in attendance on municipal courts, and the manner of their appointment.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill,—

Act of insol-
vency by a cor-
poration.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation, mentioned in section 27 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation relating to release of estates of curtesy or dower of minor husband or wife.

Release of estates of curtesy or dower of minor, husband or wife.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing for the settlement of the estates of persons presumed to have deceased by reason of absence for seven years, with due protection to the rights and interests of such persons should they afterward appear alive.

Settlement of estates of persons presumed to be dead.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law that agents for absent heirs-at-law, devisees and other persons interested, appointed by probate courts in partition proceedings, may, and may be required to, settle their accounts with their principals in and by the probate courts by which they were appointed; also the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes, so that the same shall apply to accounts of executors and administrators and of agents appointed for absent persons interested in partition proceedings, as well as trustees and guardians.

Agents for absent heirs-at-law, as devisees.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of such legislation as will further regulate the fees in poor debtor cases.

Fees in poor debtor cases.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation amending sections 13 and 14 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes relating to probate accounts, so that the provisions thereof shall apply to the accounts of executors and administrators.

Probate accounts.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to poor debtors.

Poor debtors.

On motion of Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of using a part of the appropriation made by

Status of Josiah Bartlett, in Amesbury.

the Legislature of 1888 to celebrate the unveiling of the statue of Josiah Bartlett in Amesbury, which remains unexpended, to furnish a suitable inclosure for the same.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, —

County taxes.

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the manner of collecting county taxes and the payment of the same to county treasurers.

The following order, offered by Mr. McDonough of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Foreign gas companies.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit corporations, organized under the laws of other States for the manufacture, sale and distributing of gas for illuminating or other purposes, from doing business in this Commonwealth without a special Act of the Legislature.

The following order, offered by Mr. O'Neil of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Rate of passenger fares on railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation limiting the maximum rate of passenger fares upon all trunk or main lines of railroads, whether leased or otherwise, and operated solely by steam power, to one cent per mile upon all distances not exceeding 15 miles from the State House in Boston ; one and one-half of a cent per mile for all distances over 15 and not exceeding 25 miles from said State House, and two cents per mile on all other distances.

And, further, to prevent discrimination or difference in price of tickets or fares covering the same distances on any such railroad.

The following order, offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill : —

Taxation and control of gas companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies ; also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicate represents.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 340 of the Acts of 1888, being an Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Limiting number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The following order, offered by Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting more definite law, — Railroad earnings, expenses and dividends.

1. Defining expenses to be charged to construction account and what to operating expenses, on the book of a railroad.

2. To prevent the diverting of traffic or earnings of one railroad to the benefit of another.

3. Reciting the purposes for which the capital stock of a railroad may be increased.

4. Regulating the payment of dividends, so that dividends shall be paid only from annual net earnings of the railroad whose stockholders receive the same.

The following order, offered by Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, was laid over at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as will prevent the earnings of a leased trunk line from being used to pay the deficiencies of another leased line on the same system, and to provide for the scaling down of the tariff, both passenger and freight, on leased lines where the earnings are used to pay deficiencies on other leased lines. Earnings of leased railroads.

The order laid over from yesterday, that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 204 of the Public Statutes in such manner as to include therein and make punishable by the provisions of said chapter the issuance of blank tax bills by persons not connected with the assessor's office of the city of Boston, or of any other city or town, the filling thereof by persons not connected with said office, and the delivery of the same in blank out of said office, was adopted. Issuance of blank tax bills.

Introduced on Leave.

Attendance of
children in the
public schools.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, a Bill relating to public schools and the attendance of children in the public schools. Read and referred to the committee on Education.

Appeals from
assessors of
taxes to the
Superior Court.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, a Bill to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court. Read and referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Superior Court
in the county
of Dukes
County.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, a Bill changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court in the county of Dukes County. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Sheep, -- dogs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as will afford greater protection to sheep against injury and damage by dogs.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as will entitle any owner of sheep to compensation for loss which he may have sustained by reason of sheep or lambs having been lost by being chased by dogs.

Tenure of office
of heads of de-
partments of
the city of
Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of making a more certain tenure of office to heads of departments in the city of Boston and other cities.

Directors of pub-
lic institutions
in the city of
Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing by law that the powers and duties of the directors of public institutions of the city of Boston shall be placed in a board of three commissioners, to be appointed by the mayor of said city, with the approval of the board of aldermen, and each member to be paid a salary ; also whether any of the powers and duties of said directors shall be transferred to other officers or boards.

Care of streets
in Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending the charter of, and the laws relating to, the city of Boston, as to give to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the entire control of the streets of said city, including the laying out,

altering and building thereof, the keeping the same clean and in proper repair, the laying of sewers and pipes therein, and the control of every use of and interference with the same; and also the entire control and care of the bridges, lamps and ferries of said city; and to provide that said commissioners be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing that in all cities of over 100,000 inhabitants elections for municipal officers shall be held on the same day as the State election.

Elections of
municipal offi-
cers in cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation amending chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the nomination of candidates.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an act entitled "An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections," and for the revival and re-enactment of all laws repealed by said act.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of legislation appropriating money for the erection of a statue by the Commonwealth to the memory of Wendell Phillips.

Statue in mem-
ory of Wendell
Phillips.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 70 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that no person may be authorized to construct fish weirs within the limits of any city or town lying upon tide water, unless the people of said town or city shall by vote authorize the mayor and aldermen of said city or the selectmen of said town to grant such authority; that no license to set pounds, weirs, traps or fykes shall be given for more than one year, and that no license shall be given to any person or persons which does not locate or fix the place by metes and bounds where the same is to be set, nor upon land of another person or in the tide waters upon the same.

Fish weirs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 429 of

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organi-
zations.

the Acts of the year 1888, being an act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, so as to make the provisions of section 21 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, regarding misrepresentation in the negotiation of a contract or policy, applicable thereto.

District Court
of the county of
Hampshire.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 227 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to establish the District Court of Hampshire, by striking out, in section 3, the words "the first, second and third Fridays" and inserting in place thereof the words "every Friday."

Printing of laws
and resolves
previous to
1839.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of printing the laws and resolves of the General Court passed from the adoption of the Constitution to the year 1839, with the addresses and messages of the governors, the civil lists, and such other matters as are usually published in the annual Blue Books, properly edited and annotated, and with complete indexes thereof; also the expediency of compiling and publishing an index to the public acts and resolves from 1780 to 1860.

Attendance of
children at
school.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that children who have attained the age of fourteen years, although they may not have attended school twenty weeks since reaching the age of thirteen, but have acquired the branches of learning taught in the public schools, shall be entitled to receive a certificate.

Electric light
companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of a law that shall prevent any electric light company from placing its wires in such close proximity to those of a telephone company or private owner as to interfere in their efficient service.

Compensation
of county com-
missioners of
Bristol.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider if any additional compensation should be paid the county commissioners of the county of Bristol.

Board of com-
missioners of
grade crossings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of establishing a Board of Commissioners on Grade Crossings.

Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House consider the expediency of providing additional

book-cases and furniture in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of further amending the general laws relating to street railway companies. Street railway companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of granting authority to street railway companies authorized to use electricity as a motive power to elevate their tracks, for the purpose of avoiding the crossing at grade of the tracks of steam railroads. Crossing of the tracks of steam railroads by street railways.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of providing by general law for the introduction of water into and by cities and towns. Water supply for cities and towns.

The order laid over from yesterday, relative to authorizing the committee on State House to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties, was adopted, in concurrence. Committee on State House.

A Bill to amend chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the assessment of taxes (introduced on leave in the Senate), was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation. Assessment of taxes.

Bills :

To change the name of the South Abington Baptist Church (reported on a petition) ; and South Abington Baptist Church.

To authorize John L. and Henry K. Potter to drive piles in Fort Point Channel in Boston harbor (reported on a petition) ; Wooden structure over Fort Point Channel in Boston harbor.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, authorizing towns to celebrate their two hundred and fiftieth anniversary, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, " Bill to authorize towns to celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth anniversaries of their incorporation." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly. Celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversaries of towns.

A communication from the Harbor and Land Commissioners, transmitting a petition of the selectmen of the Hadley.

town of Hadley and others for the continuance and completion of the work authorized by the last Legislature for the protection of said town against the further inroads of the Connecticut River, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Boards of commissioners of electrical subways.

Petition of the President and Secretary of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation providing for the establishment of boards of commissioners of electrical subways in cities of the Commonwealth, for the purpose of converting the overhead system of electrical wires into an underground system.

Lynn.

Petition of the mayor of Lynn for legislation exempting the city of Lynn from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, in relation to the limitation of taxation for the period of three years more.

Ibid.

Petition of the mayor of Lynn for legislation to enable said city to borrow money for sewerage purposes in addition to the right now allowed by law.

Stables in Boston.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of Boston, for legislation transferring the power of granting licenses for stables from the Board of Aldermen to the Board of Health of said city.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Abby P. Choate.

Petition of Abby P. Choate, widow of the late George F. Choate, Judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Essex, that she may be paid the balance of the salary that would have been due her husband for the year 1888.

George W. Warren.

Petition of George W. Warren, a senator in the Legislature of 1856, that salary not drawn by him be paid with interest.

Severally to the committee on Expenditures.

Weighing of fresh salt-water fish.

By Mr. Cook of Bristol, a petition of Owen H. Whitten and others, that the weighing of fresh salt-water fish by a public weigher be made compulsory. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

District Court at Ware.

Petition of P. L. Keefe and others for legislation to establish weekly sessions of the District Court at Ware. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sagamore Cemetery Association.

Petition of Isaac N. Keith for an act to incorporate the Sagamore Cemetery Association.

Petition of the Boston Art Club for an amendment of its charter. Boston Art Club.

Petition of Francis V. Balch and others for legislation to enable them to establish in the city of Boston a central station for the public sale of real estate by auction and for other purposes. Public station for the sale of real estate by auction.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition of James K. Beede, Captain of Company C, Eighth Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, that an allowance be granted the said company for loss of military property, etc., sustained in the late fire in Marblehead. To the committee on Military Affairs. Company C, 8th Regiment, M. V. M.

Petition of the First Congregational Parish of Dalton for the confirmation of certain acts done by it. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. First Congregational Parish of Dalton.

Petition of Mrs. Sadie S. Daniels that she may be recompensed for illegal detention in the Taunton Insane Asylum in the year 1882. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Sadie S. Daniels.

Petition of Henry A. Chase and 347 others of Holyoke and Chicopee that the county commissioners of Hampden be authorized and directed to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Holyoke and Williamsett in the town of Chicopee. To the committee on Roads and Bridges. Bridge between Holyoke and Chicopee.

Petition of the Fitchburg Street Railway Company for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and its real and personal property. Fitchburg Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company for authority to mortgage its property and issue bonds therefor. Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Petition of the Plum Island Street Railway Company for authority to mortgage its property and issue bonds to secure the same. Plum Island Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Lowell Horse Railroad Company to establish the electric system of motive power. Lowell Horse Railroad Company.

Petition of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company for power to use electric appliances. Naumkeag Street Railway Company.

Black Rocks
and Salisbury
Beach Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company to establish the electric system of motive power.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions in each case to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Winchester.

Petition of the selectmen of Winchester for an amendment of section 2 of chapter 194 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to make the provisions of said section subject to the approval of said town. To the committee on Towns.

Revere Water
Company.

Petition of the Revere Water Company for leave to take water from Saugus River and branches thereof. To the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Reports of Committees.

Alien passen-
gers landing in
this Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject matter of the order relative to amending the law in relation to alien passengers landing in this Commonwealth, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Assistant clerk
for the municipal
court for the
Charlestown
district of the
city of Boston.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of an assistant clerk for the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

House of deten-
tion for women
in Boston.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lydia M. Warner for the enforcement of the law for the establishment of a house of detention for women in the city of Boston, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

Salary of the
justice of the
second district
court of Bristol.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol in Fall River.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Newton Street
Railway.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, on two petitions, a Bill to authorize the

Newton Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Waltham and Newton Street Railway. Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

By Mr. Eddy of Webster, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing an additional number of copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners. Read and referred, under the rule, to the Committee on Finance.

Railroad Commissioners.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw ;

Orders of the Day.

On the petition of John McDevitt for the payment of a bounty for services in the United States navy during the late rebellion as a part of the quota of the Commonwealth ;

On the petition of Barney McCabe of Lowell that a certain sum of money be paid to him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth as back bounty ; and

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1888, on the subject of completing and perfecting the records of officers and enlisted men who served from Massachusetts in the army and navy during the war of the rebellion ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to lay and maintain tracks on Main Street in said city ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the trustees of the Ministerial Fund of the First Parish in Boxford for authority to make loans of said fund out of the Commonwealth, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the support of the criminal insane of the Commonwealth ;

To amend section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, relative to the places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Bristol; and

Resolves:

In favor of Charles D. Jenkins; and

In favor of William S. Shurtleff;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend the charter of the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Woodward of Wakefield moved to amend by striking out sections 3 and 4, and inserting in place thereof three new sections. Pending this amendment and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to establish the salary of the auditor of accounts was read a second time and considered, and after debate was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 69 to 28. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting, and asked for a count of the House. A count was had, and it appeared that 126 members were present.

Points of order.

Mr. Wyman raised a further point of order, that, though a quorum was present, a quorum had not voted, and that, therefore, the bill was not ordered to a third reading.

The Speaker ruled that, there being no rule of the House on the subject, he would rule in accordance with the previous practice of the House that the point was not well taken.

At seventeen minutes past four o'clock, on motion of Mr. Howard of Lawrence, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 7, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

County Estimates.

The estimates of the county of Essex for taxes the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurer of said county, were received and referred to the committee on County Estimates.

County estimates, — accounts of county treasurers.

Petitions Presented.

The Speaker laid before the House a remonstrance of Local Assembly 3123, Knights of Labor, against any amendment of the Constitution providing for biennial elections and biennial sessions of the Legislature, which was referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Biennial elections and biennial sessions of the Legislature.

By Mr. Kempton of New Bedford, petition of E. A. Rich & Co. and others to make the taking of scallops in the waters of this State free to all citizens of the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Scallops.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of George Henderson and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Thomas J. Greene and others, — severally, for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Tour-workers in paper mills.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Thomas J. Greene and others for such legislation as will prohibit the employment of alien labor on public works, either State, county or municipal.

Alien labor.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of members of Post 57, G.A.R., of East Cambridge; and by Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, petition of members of Post 118, G. A. R., of Swampscott, — severally, for amendment of chap-

Relief of soldiers and sailors.

ter 438 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the relief, in cases of necessity, of soldiers and sailors who served during the War of the Rebellion.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Diocesan Board
of Missions.

By Mr. Brooks of Hanover, petition of Robert Treat Paine for an act of incorporation for the Diocesan Board of Missions. Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence.

Protection of
railroad
employees.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Taxation of ves-
sels engaged in
the foreign car-
rying trade.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Thayer & Lincoln and others that the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade, be renewed and extended. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, petition of E. Florence Hathaway and others; by Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of Susan M. Clark and others; by Mr. Holbrook of Athol, petition of A. Harding and others; by Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, petition of Samuel G. Gilmore and others; by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of John F. J. Mayo and others; by Mr. Mead of Natick, petition of Olive Augusta Cheney and others; by Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Abbie W. Watson and others; by Mr. Morison of Boston, petition of Mary C. Ames and others; by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Abram E. Brown and others; by Mr. Sanger of Boston, petition of Margaret Grauger and others; by Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, petition of Mary J. Floyd and others; and by Mr. Howard of Lawrence, petition of A. Josie Reynolds and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, petition of Otis Eaton and others; and by Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of J. Frank Tribou and others, — severally, for increase of penalty for larceny of poultry.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Qua of Lowell, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 147 of the Public Statutes so as to give further protection to the estate of the husband in lands of the wife.

Rights of a husband in lands of his wife.

The following orders, laid over from yesterday, were adopted and sent up for concurrence: —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit corporations, organized under the laws of other States for the manufacture, sale and distribution of gas for illuminating or other purposes, from doing business in this Commonwealth without special Act of the Legislature.

Foreign gas companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies; also, to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent.

Taxation and control of gas companies.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Limiting number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting more definite law: (1) Defining expenses to be charged to construction account and what

Railroad earnings, expenses and dividends.

to operating expenses on the books of a railroad ; (2) To prevent the diverting of traffic or earnings of one railroad to the benefit of another ; (3) Reciting the purposes for which the capital stock of a railroad may be increased ; (4) Regulating the payment of dividends, so that dividends shall be paid only from annual net earnings of the railroad whose stockholders receive the same.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words " the Judiciary " in line 1 and inserting in place thereof the word " Railroads." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Earnings of
leased railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as will prevent the earnings of a leased trunk line from being used to pay the deficiencies of another leased line on the same system, and to provide for the scaling down of the tariff, both passenger and freight, on leased lines where the earnings are used to pay deficiencies on other leased lines.

Point of order.

Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the order was in violation of House Rule 47, inasmuch as the proposed legislation affected the interests of corporations, and should come before the House in the form of a petition.

The Speaker ruled that the point was well taken. The order was accordingly ruled out.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Rate of passen-
ger fares on
railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation limiting the maximum rate of passenger fares upon all trunk or main lines of railroads, whether leased or otherwise, and operated solely by steam power, to one cent per mile upon all distances not exceeding 15 miles from the State House in Boston ; one and one-half of a cent per mile for all distances over 15 and not exceeding 25 miles from said State House, and two cents per mile on all other distances. And, further, to prevent discrimination or difference in price of tickets or fares covering the same distances on any such railroad.

Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the order was in violation of House Rule 47, inasmuch

as it contemplated legislation affecting directly the legal rights of corporations otherwise than as it affected generally the interests of the whole people of the Commonwealth, and that the legislation contemplated should be based upon a petition. Point of order.

The Speaker stated that there is no inherent right in a railroad corporation with regard to the rate of fares to be charged; that said rates may depend upon the Legislature of the State; that the order before the House, and any legislation based upon it, would not be in conflict with the legal rights of railroad corporations, and therefore overruled the point of order as not well taken.

The order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of establishing the office of a State Dairy Commissioner. State Dairy Commissioner.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of enacting a law which shall provide that oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter, and like compounds manufactured or sold in imitation of dairy products, shall be colored some distinctive color, and such color as may be deemed expedient and proper. Imitation dairy products.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting the use of all coloring or coloring matter in oleomargarine, butter and butterine. Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of enacting a law providing for the removal of the head, entrails and feathers of dressed poultry exposed for sale. Poultry.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of increasing the number of members of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider what further legislation is necessary in regard to the management of savings banks and institutions for savings. Management of savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider what Constitutional amendments, — intoxicating liquors.

action is necessary for submitting to the people the constitutional amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage.

**Industrial
education.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of appointing the Board of Education as a special commission to inquire into the condition and methods of common school education as related to the practical industries of life, and what changes are demanded in the school system to meet the changing conditions of society; also to inquire into the condition and work of all schools and institutions, which are technical in whole or in part, as to the character and completeness of the education therein obtained, and report to the General Court the result of its inquiry, and what additional legislation may be required to meet the educational demands of the people for a true and thorough education.

**Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation regarding free scholarships in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation amending chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888 relative to the form of ballots.

**Road commis-
sioners in
towns.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing that the vote on the acceptance of the provisions of chapter 158 of the statutes of the year 1871, or of sections 74, 75, 76 and 77 of the Public Statutes, relating to road commissioners in towns, and the vote on revoking such acceptance, shall be taken by ballot; and of prescribing the time and manner of taking such votes.

Registration.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of making such changes in the laws relating to the registration of voters in the city of Boston as will require that registration shall cease not later than the twenty eighth day preceding the day of any election, and that a complete list of voters shall be posted not less than twenty-one days preceding the day of any election; also for such changes in said laws as will require the registrars of voters, in examining complaints against persons whose names appear on the voting list, to

allow the complainant and the person complained against to appear before them by counsel, and present pertinent evidence; also for the enactment of such laws as will enable and require the city registrar of Boston to report to the registrars of voters of Boston, every month, the names and residences of all qualified voters of Boston deceased within the Commonwealth during the preceding month.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of reporting such legislation as will permit the city of Boston to construct a bridge or tunnel to connect East Boston with the city proper.

Boston, city of,
— bridge or
tunnel to East
Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 183 of the Acts of the year 1885, in regard to an emergency fund.

Emergency
fund of insur-
ance companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 69 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes as to allow a longer time for claiming a jury trial in the supreme judicial court and superior courts.

Jury trials in
supreme judi-
cial and super-
ior courts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to divorce so as to give the courts discretionary power to enter a decree absolute in certain cases.

Divorce.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the employment of children, so that a child at fourteen years of age or more, who can read at sight and can write legibly simple sentences in the English language, may be allowed to work for wages without being compelled to attend school twenty weeks since reaching the age of thirteen.

Employment of
children.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of reducing the hours of labor for women and minors employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments to fifty-six and a half hours weekly, and to so arrange the hours daily that the fifty-six and a half hours may be completed by not later than one o'clock on Saturday.

Employment of
women and
minors.

Druggists and
apothecaries,
licenses to.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so far as it relates to the granting of licenses of the sixth class to druggists and apothecaries.

Compensation
of militia.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall compensate all companies of the volunteer militia, and the officers thereof, which suffered from inadequate compensation for travelling expenses incurred in transportation of troops to attend the annual drill in October, 1888.

Sewerage of the
Mystic and
Charles River
valleys, — State
Board of
Health on.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

Clerical assist-
ance to the
treasurer of
Essex County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of Essex County.

Width of tires.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of limiting loads carried on highways and defining the width of tires used in transporting heavy loads thereon, and providing compensation to towns and other parties bound to repair highways for damages caused by excessive use thereof.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Sale of alcohol.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation to further regulate the sale of alcohol.

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

The petition of William Perkins and others, that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election (taken from the Senate files of last year), was referred in concurrence to the committee on Public Service.

Changes in com-
mittees.

Notice was received from the Senate that Hon. Robert Howard of Fall River, having been given the seat formerly occupied by Joseph O. Neill as Senator from the Second Bristol District, had been appointed chairman of the committee on Labor and second on the committee on Education on the part of the Senate.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of J. P. Dann and others that the Oxford Agricultural Society be allowed its proportion of the State bounty to agricultural societies, which was withheld because of non-conformity to the details of the law.

Oxford Agricultural Society.

Petition of the State Board of Agriculture for legislation which will protect both the producers and consumers of honest butter, and for the appointment of a State dairy commissioner.

State Dairy Commissioner.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Boston that buildings erected upon public parks in the city of Boston may be exempted from the operation and provisions of the building laws of said city. To the committee on Cities.

Boston, — park buildings exempt from building laws.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Salem for the repeal of the law requiring county commissioners to establish truant schools, when requested so to do by three or more towns, etc. To the committee on Education.

Truant schools.

Petition of D. B. Paine and others for the repeal of the act to preserve the eel fishery in Herring River and its tributaries in the town of Wellfleet. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Wellfleet, — eel fishery in Herring River.

Petition of John C. Crosby for an amendment of the laws governing the Bay State Beneficiary Association. To the committee on Insurance.

Bay State Beneficiary Society.

Petitions of William Claflin and others ; and P. B. Smith and others, — severally, that provision be made so that registers of deeds may be appointed by the Governor, or otherwise, instead of being elected by the popular vote. Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Registers of deeds.

Petition of the Boston Pilots' Relief Society for an amendment of its charter so that it may hold real and personal estate to the amount of \$200,000.

Boston Pilots' Relief Society.

Petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for authority to increase its capital.

American Bell Telephone Company.

Petition of E. B. Abbott and others for an extension of the time granted them in which to organize the Boston Water Trust and Investment Company.

Boston Water Trust and Investment Company.

Petition of the Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company for a change of name.

Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Battle of Gettysburg.

Petition of A. P. Martin and others for an appropriation for the purpose of marking the spot on the battlefield of Gettysburg occupied by the 15th, 19th and 20th Massachusetts Regiments.

David J. Lantz.

Petition of David J. Lantz for State aid.

Soldiers and sailors.

Petition of Michael H. Enwright for legislation which shall place to the credit of the State, and render eligible to all benefits and privileges conferred by the Commonwealth, persons who enlisted in the military and naval service of the State prior to the opening of the War of the Rebellion.

Veteran Rights Union and Employment Bureau.

Petition of Thomas S. Robinson and others, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, for an annual appropriation of \$3,000, to be expended under the supervision of the Veteran Rights Union and Employment Bureau.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Warren Street Chapel.

Petition of the Warren Street Chapel for a change of name. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Massachusetts Reformatory.

Petition of the water commissioners of the town of Concord that authority be given the Governor and Council to contract with them for a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory. To the committee on Prisons.

New York and New England Railroad Company.

Petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to fund bonds and debts due on terminal lands in the city of Boston.

Statement of earnings of steam and street railroads.

Petition of J. W. Ayres for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the railroad commissioners shall direct.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Taxation of chattels.

Petition of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels.

Wellesley.

Petition of F. J. Lake and others of Wellesley that the proportional part of the tax on certain shares of stock owned by H. H. Hunnewell and transferred by him to certain trustees, to which the said town is entitled, may be ascertained and paid to the town.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

The House petition of W. J. Shields and others, for such a revision of the present lien law as will better pro-

tect the workmen in the collection of their wages, came down from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the joint committee on the Judiciary. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the commencement of actions over which superior courts and inferior courts have concurrent jurisdiction.

Superior courts,
inferior courts,
— concurrent
jurisdiction.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Glenwood Cemetery Association for such legislation as will legalize the acts of said association for the years 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887 and 1888.

Glenwood
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. V. Titus and others that that part of Quincy known as Squantum, Moon Island, Little Moon Island and New Squantum, may be annexed to and become a part of the city of Boston, and a petition in aid of the same.

Annexation of
a part of
Quincy to
Boston.

By Mr. O'Neill of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing separate ballot boxes for women voting for school committee.

Separate ballot
boxes for
women voting
for school com-
mittee.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Dedham Water Company for amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric light and power, and also for a change of name.

Dedham Water
Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 68 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers.

Licenses for
hawkers and
peddlers.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1888.

Appropriation
bill, — joint
special commit-
tee of the Legis-
lature of 1888.

Boards of
registrars.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to enable certain cities to change their boards of registrars of voters.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Dissolution of
attachments.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to dissolution of attachments ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

South Boston
flats.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, in part, a Bill to provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston.

Florence W.
Adams.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Florence W. Adams.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Ceding to the United States jurisdiction over a part of Gallop's Island in Boston harbor;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith;

To authorize towns to celebrate the 250th anniversaries of their incorporation;

Providing for the printing and distribution of additional copies of the Manual for the General Court;

To authorize the Northampton Street Railway Company to issue bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment thereof; and

To incorporate the New Bedford Real Estate Association;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

In further addition to an Act relating to the Mystic River Corporation;

To authorize the Brockton Agricultural Society in Brockton to hold additional real and personal estate; and

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Hampden County ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of an assistant clerk for the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lydia M. Warner for the establishment of a house of detention for women in the city of Boston, and sundry petitions in aid of the same ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol, in Fall River ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Newton Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Waltham and Newton Street Railway ;

To authorize John L. and Henry K. Potter to drive Piles in Fort Point Channel in Boston harbor ; and

To change the name of the South Abington Baptist Church ; and the

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To further provide for the support of the criminal insane of the Commonwealth (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To amend section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, relative to the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and the

Resolve in favor of Charles D. Jenkins ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Bristol; and the

Resolve in favor of William S. Shurtleff;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the auditor of accounts was read a third time and considered. After debate on the question on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 87 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Alden, Jared F.
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Ayres, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barker, Thomas E.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bennett, John O.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bigelow, Alden M.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blodgett, Percival
Bond, Nelson F.
Bowman, Robert H.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Orland J.

Messrs. Burke, James J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Church, Moses D.
Connell, Thomas H.
Crane, Robert B.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Cutting, George W.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven
Ferren, Myron J.
Foote, Charles N.
Gardiner, Charles B.
Giddings, Theodore
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Gould, John B.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Henry, Robert
Heslan, John E.
Howard, John F.
Howe, Herbert W.

Messrs. Howland, Willard
Kimball, John W.
Lally, James, Jr.
Leach, William W.
Lincoln, James D.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Marchant, Cornelius B.
McDonough, John J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McLaughlin, Daniel
Moore, Michael J.
Norcross, J. Henry
Oakman, Henry P.
Paige, Frank E.
Pike, Baxter P.
Porter, Charles F.
Potter, Lurin J.
Prevaux, John J.
Putnam, Charles C.

Messrs. Qua, Francis W.
Quinn, Dennis J.
Richmond, Albert E.
Riley, Thomas
Ripley, John B.
Rowell, William R.
Russell, Stillman
Slocum, Winfield S.
Smalley, Anthony
Spring, Charles E.
Stearns, George C.
Sullivan, Edward
Sullivan, John H.
Swallow, George N.
Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Wales, Abijah T.
White, William L., Jr.
Worth, Ira A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Ralph L.
Bliss, George
Blume, Andreas
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, Edward F.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clayton, Horace E.
Conant, Nelson B.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Crowley, John H.
Curtis, Francis C.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Gray, Robert S.
Greenwood, Abner
Hamilton, Henry D.
Hanson, Charles H.
Harvey, James W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hixon, William S.
Holder, Langdon H.
Holman, Frank E.

Messrs. Howes, Charles
Johnson, Henry H.
Kempton, David B.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Lane, Hiram B.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Macfarlane, John
Martin, James P.
McCall, Samuel W.
McCooley, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.
McDonough, John H.
Mead, Albert
Merrill, John F.
Milton, Henry S.
Monahan, William H.
Morse, I. Porter
Murphy, William H.
Newhall, Albert H.
Nolan, Joseph
O'Mealey, John W.
O'Neil, John W.
Packard, John B.
Patridge, Joseph A.
Perkins, George A.
Purrington, Ellis B.
Reed, George A.

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Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.	Messrs. Taft, Edgar S.
Shepard, Charles H.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Shepard, George A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Henry O.	Wilcox, Charles M.
Snow, Thomas	Witt, Charles T.
Stafford, John H.	Wood, Samuel
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

YEAS, 87 ; NAYS, 70.

On this question Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Hildreth of Holyoke, Sohler of Beverly, Woodward of Wakefield, Fottler of Boston, Sanger of Cambridge, Turner of Malden, Leary of Boston and Albree of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Richards of Lynn, Raymond of Somerville, Littlefield of Peabody, Preble of Boston, Douglas of Greenwich, Sprout of Worcester, Eddy of Webster, McEnaney of Boston, and Pratt of Abington.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy of Boston, at five minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 8, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Rev. William H. Brooks of Hanover, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Willie F. Eldridge and others; by Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of Isaiah T. Jones and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of R. B. Carr and others; and by Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of M. C. Moroney and others, — severally, for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl. Shooting wild fowl.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, remonstrances of F. J. C. Swift and others against any legislation for the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl. Ibid.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petitions of Alexander Campbell and 70 others, of Thomas J. Graham and others, and of John Conway and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Thomas J. Greene and others, — severally, for the abolition of the fines system in textile industries for imperfections in weaving. Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, remonstrances of Germania Mills of Holyoke and others, Beebe, Webber & Co., and Farr Alapaca Co.; by Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, remonstrances of Oneko Mills Corporation and Potomska Mills Corporation; and by Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, remonstrance of James P. Ray and others, — severally, against any legislation to abolish the fines system in textile industries for imperfect weaving. Ibid.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Peter Gorman and others; and by Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petitions of Charles J. Barton and 100 others, and Thomas Woods and others, — severally, for eight hours a day's work for State, city, county and town employees. Eight hours a day's work.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Cider.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of A. A. Lovell and others; by Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of William Ward, Jr., and others; by Mr. Conant of Littleton, petition of J. P. Bent and others; by Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of William Rutledge and others; by Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, petition of B. H. Taylor and others; by Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of Lewis Barrowes and others; by Mr. Mead of Natick, petition of Asaph Mansfield and others; by Mr. Russell of Douglas, petition of D. A. Keith and others; by Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petition of George F. Howard and others; by Mr. Brooks of Ashby, petition of F. F. Warren and others; by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petition of Nathan Simonds and others; by Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, petition of W. H. Washburn and others; by Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of S. G. Brackett and others; by Mr. Pike of Topsfield, petition of Hosea B. Nash and others; by Mr. Carter of Lowell, petition of Henry Durea and others; by Mr. Atherton of Saugus, petition of H. N. Osborne, Jr., and others; by Mr. Howes of Ashfield, petition of R. J. Donelson and others; by Mr. Paige of Amherst, petition of W. C. Owen and others; by Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of W. C. Divoll and others; and by Mr. Stafford of Lawrence, petition of Calvin Rea and others,—severally, for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, petition of M. E. Loud and others; and by Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts,—severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Transfer of
stock in corpo-
rations.

By Mr. Cannell of Everett, remonstrance of the Globe National Bank and 50 other national and savings banks against any change in the law relating to the transfer of stock in corporations. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as, in their judgment, the proper discharge of their duties may require.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester: —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be instructed to consider the expediency of providing for the appointment by the Governor of a solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general; said committee to investigate the manner in which the several district attorneys perform their official duties, to be authorized to employ a stenographer, and to send for persons and papers.

Solicitor-general.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation to further regulate the sale of alcohol.

Sale of alcohol.

Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the order was in violation of House Rule No. 38. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the order was ruled out and notice was sent to the Senate.

Point of order.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

State Pension
Agent.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to instructing the committee on Military Affairs to consider the expediency of such legislation as will correct, as far as may be, the wrongs caused by the inaccuracies contained in the book published under the authority of a resolve of the Legislature passed in the year 1886, and entitled "Records of the Massachusetts Volunteers."

Records of
Massachusetts
Volunteers.

**Boston City
Hospital.**

A petition of the mayor of Boston for authority to take land by right of eminent domain for the purpose of extending the limits of its city hospital came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Taken from the Table.

Gas Inspector.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, the annual report of the Gas Inspector was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Manufactures and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

**Frank B.
Sanborn.**

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Frank B. Sanborn for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

**Criminal pro-
cedure.**

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to criminal procedure.

**Attorneys-at-
law.**

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to petitioners for admission to the bar as attorneys-at-law.

**Lemira C.
Pennell.**

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain State officials.

House rules.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Rules on the part of the House, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the House, that the rules of the House of Representatives for 1888 be adopted for the government of the House, with an amendment to House Rule 66 by adding at the end thereof the words "If upon the taking of such a vote the presence of a quorum is doubted a count of the House shall be had, and if a quorum is present the vote shall stand;" and also with the addition of a new rule, to be numbered Rule 101, as follows:

"RULE 101. Debate on all motions for the suspension of any of the joint rules and House rules shall be limited to fifteen minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes."

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to provide for extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the second district court of the county of Bristol. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Extra clerical assistance for the second district court of Bristol County.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill, making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1888 (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the commencement of actions over which superior courts and an inferior court have concurrent jurisdiction ; and

Orders of the Day.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Glenwood Cemetery Association for such legislation as will legalize the acts of said association for the years 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887 and 1888 ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. V. Titus and others that that part of Quincy known as Squantum, Moon Island, Little Moon Island and New Squantum may be annexed to the city of Boston, and a petition in aid of the same ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing separate ballot-boxes for women voting for school committee ; and

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Dedham Water Company for amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric light and power, and also for a change of name ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To enable certain cities to change their boards of registrars of voters ; and

To amend chapter 68 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Newton Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Waltham and Newton Street Railway Company was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize John L. and Henry K. Potter to drive piles in Fort Point Channel in Boston harbor ; and

To change the name of the South Abington Baptist Church ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (introduced on leave) relating to dissolution of attachments was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

The Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1888 was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, at twenty-seven minutes past one o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 11, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Riley of Adams, petition of Willis W. Burnett and others; by Mr. Potter of Longmeadow, petition of F. W. Lathrop and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of Frank M. Bowker and others; by Mr. Wood of Northborough, petition of H. A. Wheeler and others; by Mr. Bliss of Warren, petition of C. D. Sage and others; by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of A. W. Lyman and others; by Mr. Newhall of Sterling, petition of John P. Brittle and others; by Mr. Holbrook of Athol, petition of J. W. Hazel and others; and by Mr. Stover of Haverhill, petition of B. G. Perry and others, — severally, for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other imitations of butter. Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, petition of Templeton Grange, No. 122, Patrons of Husbandry; by Mr. Pierce of Hadley, petition of Connecticut Valley Union Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; by Mr. Howe of Hubbardston, petition of Holden Grange, No. 78, Patrons of Husbandry; by Mr. Smith of Leicester, petition of Spencer Grange, No. 79, Patrons of Husbandry; by Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of Lee Grange, No. 88, Patrons of Husbandry; and by Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of Berkshire County Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of dairy products. Dairy products.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, remonstrance of Lillburn Hiller and others of Mattapoisett, against the repeal of chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the use of gill-nets within one-half mile of the shores of said town. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Gill-nets.

South Beach in
Edgartown.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of David Fisher and others for an amendment of section 1, chapter 75, of the Acts of the year 1881, relating to the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Abolishing fines
for imperfect
weaving.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, remonstrances of the Warren Cotton Mills of West Warren, and of Sayles Jenks; by Mr. Conant of Littleton, remonstrance of the Assabet Manufacturing Company; by Mr. Hale of Taunton, remonstrance of the Oakland Mills; by Mr. Eddy of Webster, remonstrance of the Slater Woolen Company; by Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, remonstrance of the L. D. Thayer Manufacturing Company; and by Mr. Blume of Boston, remonstrances of the Pemberton Company and the Roxbury Carpet Company, — severally, against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Pauper aid for
indigent sol-
diers and
sailors.

By Mr. Lally of Milford, petition of members of Post 22, G. A. R.; by Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of Post 1, G. A. R., of New Bedford; by Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, petition of Post 50, G. A. R., of Peabody, — severally, for the repealing of laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

J. M. Y. Yer-
rington,
Walter Rogers
and James P.
Bacon, official
stenographers.
W. K. Armis-
tead, official
stenographer.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of J. M. Y. Yerrington, Walter Rogers and James P. Bacon, official stenographers, for an increase of compensation.

By the same gentleman, petition of W. K. Armistead, official stenographer, for an increase of compensation.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule in each case.

Appeal from
assessors of
taxes to
superior court.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, petitions of Samuel C. Cobb and others; and of J. A. Beebe and 166 others, — severally, for legislation allowing an appeal from assessors of taxes to the superior court.

Taxation of
land.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of Daniel J. Hayes and others; by Mr. Gilman of Newton, petition of Adam Beck and others; by Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of George N. Smith and others; and by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of Frank K. Foster and others, — severally, for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements

upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon rental or site value of land.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, remonstrance of John Gentle and 180 voters and taxpayers of Wenham, against the division of that town and the incorporation of the town of Beverly Farms, as petitioned for by George H. Wyatt and others. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Wenham,—
Beverly Farms.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Susan T. Converse and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Perry of Rehoboth, petition of Francis A. Bliss and others for legislation to increase the penalty for the larceny of poultry.

Larceny of
poultry.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, remonstrance of Joseph Beals and others; and by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrance of William D. Crockett and others,—severally, against any change in the laws relative to the practice of medicine.

Practice of
medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of Mary J. Lee and others of Boston; by Mr. Riley of Adams, petition of Mrs. H. Elizabeth Smith and others; by Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, petition of Mrs. W. H. Gardner and others; by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Annie F. Bray and others; by Mr. Davis of Somerville, petition of Mrs. E. H. Gilcrease and others; and by Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, petition of Emily A. Alvord and others,—severally, for such amendment to chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1888 as will raise the age of consent from fourteen to eighteen years.

Age of consent.

Severally placed on file.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. White of Taunton, was laid over at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester:—

Ordered, That, in consideration of the recommendation of the Governor, and the petitions presented to the

Highways.

Legislature, in relation to the highways of the State, the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to collect statistics for the use of the committee on Roads and Bridges, and for general information; the object of the statistics being the solution of the following questions:

(1) What is the number of miles of highway within the limits of your city or town? (2) What has been the average amount expended on roads during the last three years? (3) What is the number of superintendents and surveyors employed on the highways? (4) What is the quality of materials used in the constructing and repairs of roads? (5) What number and what kind of bridges are supported? (6) Are the road taxes paid in money or in labor?

The following order, offered by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, was adopted under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule:—

Free beds in hospitals for employees of manufacturing corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that manufacturing corporations may be authorized to subscribe for free beds in hospitals for the use of their workmen who are injured while in their employ.

Papers from the Senate.

Rights of the husband in lands of his wife.

The House order, relative to giving further protection to the estate of the husband in lands of the wife, came down, concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

The following order, —

Taxation and control of gas companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies; also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, —

Adopted by the House and sent up for concurrence, came down concurred, with an amendment inserting after the word "like" in line 4 the words "or similar." The House concurred in the amendment, and the order was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Ordered. That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be instructed to consider the expediency of providing for the appointment by the Governor of a solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general; said committee to investigate the manner in which the several district attorneys perform their official duties, to be authorized to employ a stenographer, and to send for persons and papers. Solicitor-general.

Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the words "a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join," and inserting in place thereof the words "the joint committee on the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order as amended was then rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the laws for the survey and inspection of lumber, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Inspection of lumber.

A Bill to further amend an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Marblehead water supply.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—
Petitions of the State Board of Agriculture and O. B. Hadwen and others, — severally, that an appropriation be made to enable the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station to erect a suitable building and apparatus for a department of vegetable physiology. Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, — vegetable physiology.

Petitions of the Williamstown Grange, Savoy Grange, No. 99, Patrons of Husbandry; Hampden Grange, No. 165, Patrons of Husbandry; G. T. Bullard and others; Montague Grange, No. 141, Patrons of Husbandry; Joseph S. Wells and others; G. H. Marsh and others; J. W. Hinkley and others; Northampton Grange, No. 138, Patrons of Husbandry; citizens of Dudley and others; and Joseph Gibbs and others, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products. Imitation dairy products.

Dairy commis-
sioners.

A petition of H. A. Barton and others for the appointment of one or more dairy commissioners.

Imitation
butter.

Petitions of P. Parsons and others; C. F. Briggs and others; J. M. Waterman and others; O. A. Archer and others; F. H. Daniels and others; and Edward A. Evans and others, — severally, for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

Remonstrances of Albert Curtis, treasurer of the Curtis Manufacturing Company; the Wicks Manufacturing Company of Worcester; C. H. Hutchins & Co. of Worcester; L. Pomeroy's Sons, Wilson & Horton, Bel Air Manufacturing Company, S. N. & C. Russell Manufacturing Company, severally, of Pittsfield; Williamstown Manufacturing Company of Williamstown, Linwood Mills of North Adams; and Joseph Healy, treasurer of the Osborn Mills, — severally, against legislation tending to abolish fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Medford.

Remonstrance of James A. Hervey and 158 others of Medford, against the division of said town. To the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Trial list in the
Superior Civil
Court, Suffolk
County.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the make-up of the trial list of cases in the Superior Court (civil business), Suffolk County. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Evidence in
cases of
abortion.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the admission of dying declarations as evidence in certain cases.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Florence W.
Adams.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Florence W. Adams ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Water supply of
Worcester.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill in addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the committee on Rail-roads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock. Boston and Albany Railroad Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Scott. Elizabeth Scott.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William Jackson. William Jackson.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Augusta A. Perkins. Augusta A. Perkins.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Atwood of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Dedham Water Company for amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric light and power, and also for a change of name. The motion was lost by a vote of 28 to 87. Dedham Water Company.

Bills enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills : —

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; Bills enacted.

Relative to printing additional copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth ;

To incorporate the Yorick Club of Lowell ;

To amend the charter of the trustees of the Episcopal Theological School ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Hampden ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant clerk of the Municipal Court of the city of Boston for civil business ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol ;

To amend the charter of the Magnolia Improvement Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve, in favor of William S. Shurtleff, (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to petitioners for admission to the bar as attorneys-at-law ; and

On an order relative to amending the laws relating to criminal procedure ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain State officials, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Rules, on the part of the House, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the House, that the Rules of the House of Representatives for 1888 be adopted for the government of the House, with an amendment to House Rule 66 by adding at the end thereof the words : “ If, upon the taking of such a vote, the presence of a quorum is doubted, a count of the House shall be had, and, if a quorum is present, the vote shall stand.” And also with the addition of a new rule, to be numbered 101, as follows :—

“ RULE 101. Debate on all motions for the suspension of any of the joint rules and House rules shall be limited to fifteen minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes,” was considered.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the words, “ If, upon the taking such a vote, the presence of a quorum is doubted, a count of the House shall be had, and, if a quorum is present, the vote shall stand. And also.”

Mr. Barker of Malden moved to amend by adding after the words, “ shall stand,” the words, “ provided a ma-

majority of a quorum appears either in the affirmative or the negative."

Both amendments were rejected, and, after debate, the report of the committee was accepted.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the second district court of the county of Bristol was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to enable certain cities to change their boards of registrars of voters was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Henry of Fall River, recommitted to the committee on Cities.

The Bill to amend chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, at twenty minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 12, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Apportionment of Taxes.

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of taxes.

The report upon the equalization and apportionment of State and county taxes, prepared under the provisions of sections 96 and 97 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, was received and referred to the committee on Finance.

Petitions Presented.

Disfranchisement of persons convicted of certain crimes.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of John Cornell and others for the disfranchisement of persons convicted of crime against the elective franchise and of infamous crimes. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

New England Conservatory of Music.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of A. W. Moore and 42 others, residents of Lynn; and by Mr. Cannell of Everett, petition of G. Y. Washburn and 54 others, residents of Everett, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Game on Great Island and Egg Island in Yarmouth.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, remonstrance of Charles B. Cory against any legislation to leave unprotected the game on Great Island and Egg Island, in the town of Yarmouth. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of William M. Lockwood and 300 others for the abolition of the fine system in textile industries for imperfect weaving.

Ibid.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, remonstrance of The Lakeside Manufacturing Company; by Mr. Eddy of Webster, remonstrance of Andrew Howarth and Son; and by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, remonstrance of Robert Bleakie, — severally, against abolishing fines for imperfect weaving.

Eight hours a day's work.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of F. H. Royal and 300 others for the enactment of a law making

eight hours constitute a day's work for State, county, city and town employees.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Thompson of Brockton, petition of Lowell M. Reynolds and others for such an amendment to the present liquor law as shall provide a method for eliminating all private profits from the reasonable and proper sale of alcoholics in such cities and towns as vote no license. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Sale of alcoholics in cities and towns voting no license.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, petition of Otis Chapman Post, No. 103, G. A. R., of Chicopee; and by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of Post 49, G. A. R., of Newburyport, — severally, for the repealing of laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, petition of J. W. Cumnock and others for legislation to allow appeals from assessors of taxes to the superior court. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Appeals from assessors of taxes.

By Mr. Sohler of Beverly, remonstrance of Lucy Larcom and 1,732 other Beverly women against the division of Beverly, as it gives a small proportion of the population three-quarters of the valuable land with small expenses. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Division of Beverly.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of George G. Childs and 150 others for amendment of the law relating to liens.

Liens.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, remonstrance of George Marriner and others against any change in the law concerning the practice of medicine.

Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Gracey of Salem, and sent up for concurrence: —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing be instructed to investigate the work of publishing the Provincial Laws as authorized under the provisions of chapter 87 of the Resolves of the year 1867 and all acts and resolves

Province Laws.

supplementary thereto, and report to the Legislature the progress of said work; the probable further time required for completing the same; the probable further cost thereof; and what legislation, if any, is advisable in the matter.

Highways.

The order laid over from yesterday, relative to instructing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to collect certain statistics concerning highways, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Commissioners on Grade Crossings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing three thousand extra copies of the report of Commissioners on Grade Crossings.

Counting of ballots before the close of the polls.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 16, chapter 299 of the Acts of the year 1884, so that precinct officers may be allowed to open the ballot-box and count the votes after one o'clock P.M. on the day of election, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Police department of the city of Boston.

A Bill giving the officers and men of the police department of the city of Boston certain rights of way in the streets, lanes and alleys of said city (reported, in part, on the fourth annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Oleomargarine.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —
Petition of J. E. Darling and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine and other imitations of butter.

Imitation dairy products.

Petitions of Dudley Grange, No. 163, Patrons of Husbandry; of West Bridgewater Grange, No. 156, Patrons of Husbandry; of New Braintree Grange, No. 170, Patrons of Husbandry; and of Mendon Grange, No. 153, Patrons of Husbandry, — severally, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Biennial elections and biennial sessions.

Remonstrance of the Central Labor Lyceum of Boston against any legislation providing for biennial elections and

biennial sessions of the General Court. To the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Remonstrances of F. W. Adams, Brown & Driver, James Phillips, M. A. Latham, the Fitchburg Worsted Company, and the Dawson Manufacturing Company, — severally, against legislation to abolish the fine system in weaving rooms in textile industries.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Annual Report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 was taken from the table, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Attorney-General.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring all persons under 21 years of age to file with the clerk of the city or town in which they intend to transact business an affidavit to that effect.

Minors engaged in business.

By Mr. McDonough of Fall River, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more frequent sessions of the probate courts in the several counties.

Sessions of the probate courts in the several counties.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide a third assistant to the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business.

Third assistant to the clerk of the Municipal Court of the city of Boston for civil business.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, on two orders, dated January 17 and January 23, and petitions in relation to the same, a Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases.

Larceny.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 15 of chapter 215 of the Public Statutes in relation to female convicts.

Female convicts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1888 relating to town auditors.

Town auditors.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State district police force.

Gloucester, —
clams.

By Mr. Haskell of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Gloucester.

Amesbury and
Salisbury Agri-
cultural and
Horticultural
Society.

By Mr. Adams of Quincy, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroad Com-
missioners.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for printing an additional number of copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Exemption
from attach-
ment or execu-
tion of property
belonging to
pensioners of
the United
States.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the exemption from attachment or execution of property belonging to the pensioners of the United States government ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Salary of the
second clerk of
the Commis-
sioners of Sav-
ings Banks.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road Company.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1888 ;

To fix the capital stock of the American Linen Company of Fall River;

To incorporate the Abington Business Club Building Association;

To provide for the payment of the expenses of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

To establish the salary of the justice of the third district court of Bristol; and

To provide for the payment of postage and expressage on documents sent to members of the General Court;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To change the name of the South Abington Baptist Church; and

To authorize John L. and Henry K. Potter to drive piles in Fort Point Channel in Boston Harbor;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Michael O'Neill Resolve passed.
(which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexperienced to legislate, on an order relative to the make-up of the trial list of cases in the superior court, civil business, Suffolk County, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the laws for the survey and inspection of lumber, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the admission of dying declarations as evidence in certain cases;

In addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water; and

To further amend an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water; and

Resolves:

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; and

In favor of Florence W. Adams;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the second district court of Bristol (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending as a substitute therefor a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Conant of Littleton, at sixteen minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 13, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, petition of J. R. Gould and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other imitations of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of J. W. Wellman and 80 others, residents of Malden; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of William H. Munroe and others of Chelsea; by Mr. Means of Boston, petition of John Wallace and 54 others of Boston and vicinity; and by Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of Henry C. Alvord and others of Weymouth, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. New England Conservatory of Music.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, petition of Francis P. Ashby and others; and by Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of J. F. Sullivan and others, — severally, for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills. Tour-workers.

By Mr. Packard of Conway, remonstrance of W. E. Delabarre & Co.; by Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, remonstrance of The Plymouth Woolen Company; by Mr. Leach of Palmer, remonstrances of J. S. Holden & Co., and the Thorndike Company; and by Mr. Smith of Leicester, remonstrance of George P. Ladd, — severally, against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving. Fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, petition of W. H. Lowell and others for legislation providing that cider shall not be subject to the provisions of the law relating to intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law. Cider.

Appeal from
assessors of
taxes to Supe-
rior Court.

By Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of S. Salisbury and others; and by Mr. Lane of Springfield, petition of F. H. Harris and others, — severally, for legislation allowing an appeal from assessors of taxes to superior court.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

Division of
Beverly.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of John Endicott and 1,063 other voters and tax-payers of Beverly against the division of the town, giving nearly one-half of the property to one-ninth the population and less than one-tenth the school children. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of George A. Walton and others; and by Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of L. F. Bradley and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, remonstrance of John B. Webster and 95 others against any change in the law concerning the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Cambridge, —
erection and
construction of
certain build-
ings.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, petition of the city of Cambridge to be exempted from the provisions of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an Act relating to the erection and construction of certain buildings. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Truant school,
— city of
Gloucester.

By Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Gloucester to be exempted from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County. Referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Gilman of Newton, —

Opinion of the
justices of the
supreme judi-
cial court, —
quorum not
voting.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of applying to the supreme court for their opinion on the constitutionality of the Rule of the House,

No. 101, as adopted by the House on Monday last, the 11th instant.

Subsequently, the vote whereby the order was adopted was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gilman. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, Mr. Gilman moved to amend by substituting in place of the words "one hundred and one" the words "sixty-six." The amendment was carried, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health. Inland waters.

The House order relative to legislation providing that manufacturing corporations may be authorized to subscribe for free beds in hospitals for the use of their workmen who are injured while in their employ, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Free beds in hospitals for employees of manufacturing corporations.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Julia A. Norcross for State aid ; and

On the petition of Isadora F. Lincoln for State aid ;

Julia A.
Norcross.
Isadora F.
Lincoln.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for an extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridges, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands ; accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence. Draws in Charles River bridges.

A Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Berkshire (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the treasurer of Berkshire County.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Westfield to issue additional water bonds came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in lines 8 and 17 by

Westfield water bonds.

striking out the word "April" and inserting in place thereof the word "October." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Merrill of Quincy, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

City of Boston. Petition of the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Boston that the provisions of section 16 of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes shall not apply to buildings within the parks of said city. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

New England Conservatory of Music.

Petitions of George W. Kelley and others, Ella M. Grigg and others, and W. E. Sullivan and others, severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

Remonstrance of J. L. Peck against legislation tending to abolish fines for imperfect weaving. To the committee on Labor.

Salary of the justice of the first district court of Southern Worcester.

Petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of Southern Worcester, for an increase of salary.

To the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives for public libraries.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to supplying to the free public libraries in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth copies of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Printing.

Exclusion of non-vaccinated children from schools.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to providing that the exclusion of any child from school for non-vaccination shall not exempt any person having the control of such child from the penalty imposed in section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the town of Lincoln for authority to take land to build a school, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the discharge of the committee. Town of Lincoln.

By Mr. Leach of Palmer, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to enable laborers to build homesteads. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. John M. Berry.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. South Boston flats.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a communication from the Harbor and Land Commissioners transmitting a petition, a Resolve in addition to a Resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Town of Hadley.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater; and

Providing for a fourth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To authorize the Revere Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate part of its railway upon private property (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring all persons under twenty-one years of age to file with the clerk of the city or town in which they intend to transact business an affidavit to that effect, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more frequent sessions of probate courts in the several counties, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 16, chapter 299 of the Acts of the year 1884, so that precinct officers may be allowed to open the ballot-box and count the votes after one o'clock P.M. on the day of election, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Gloucester ;

To provide a third assistant to the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business ;

To increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State district police force ;

Authorizing the Amesbury and Salisbury Horticultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to town auditors ;

To amend section 15 of chapter 215 of the Public Statutes, in relation to female convicts ; and

Giving the officers and men of the police department of the city of Boston certain rights of way in the streets, lanes and alleys of said city ; and the

Resolve providing for printing an additional number of copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the admission of dying declarations as evidence in certain cases ; and

In addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water; and

Resolves:

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; and

In favor of Florence W. Adams;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to further amend an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the exemption from attachment or execution of property belonging to pensioners of the United States government was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, at twelve minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 14, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

New England
Conservatory
of Music.

By Mr. Riley of Adams, petition of William B. Plunkett and others, residents of Adams, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Education.

Tour-workers
in paper mills.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of George S. Campbell and others for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of John Savage and others for legislation to abolish the fine system in textile industries.

Ibid.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, remonstrance of The Whitefield Mills; and by Mr. Hanson of Lowell, remonstrance of The Merrimack Manufacturing Company, — severally, against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Edward Froth-
ingham et als.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of Edward Frothingham and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of holding and improving certain real estate. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Blume.

Pauper aid for
indigent
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of Post 79, G. A. R., of North Adams for the repealing of the laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Sons of
Veterans.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of N. C. Upham and others that the Sons of Veterans may be permitted to parade in public with arms.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Width of rims
to wagon
wheels.

By Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, petitions of Giles L. Leach and others, and D. F. Lane and others, — severally, for legislation regulating the width of rims to wagon wheels.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of Edwin Lucas and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection from all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land. Referred to the committee on Taxation. Taxation of land.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, petition of W. E. Stewart and others in favor of the incorporation of the town of Beverly Farms. Referred to the committee on Towns. Division of Beverly.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, remonstrance of William A. Hale and 117 others against any change in the laws relative to the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of Ebenezer Martin and others for legislation relative to a division of lots in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Barker, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

By Mr. Worth of Boston, petition of Andrew J. Bailey and Selwyn Z. Bowman for legislation to oblige cemetery corporations to keep books of record of conveyances of burial lots. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Worth, and sent up for concurrence. Cemetery corporations.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation making the municipal and financial years of the city of Boston coincide. City of Boston.

The report of the State Board of Education on the tenure of office of superintendents of schools was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education. State Board of Education.

A Bill to authorize the Allen Gymnasium Company to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Allen Gymnasium Company.

Arthur L.
Huntington.

A Resolve confirming the acts of Arthur L. Huntington as a justice of the peace, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

New England
Conservatory
of Music.

Petition of Edward Tyler and others in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. To the committee on Education.

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

Remonstrance of Frederick Dexter against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving. To the committee on Labor.

Pauper aid for
indigent
soldiers and
sailors.

Petition of Post 70, G. A. R., of Millbury, that the act for the relief, in cases of necessity, of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, etc., be repealed, and that chapter 30 of the Public Statutes be amended so as to provide for the classes of cases which the above-named act was intended to relieve. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

Employment
of children.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to amending or repealing section 7 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to certificates of employment for attendance at evening schools, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Labor. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Smelts.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or amending sections 57 and 58 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taking of smelts.

Jurors in cases
arising under
the liquor law.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making liquor dealers ineligible to sit as jurors in cases arising under the liquor law.

Sureties on
liquor license
bonds.

By Mr. Morse of Marlborough, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting persons engaged in the liquor traffic, or having

a business interest in said traffic, from becoming sureties on liquor-license bonds.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds of persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors.

Sureties on liquor-license bonds.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of William Jackson ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

William Jackson.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (recommitted) to enable certain cities to change their boards of registrars of voters ought to pass in a new draft, with the title "Bill to enable cities to change their boards of registrars of voters, so that the city clerk shall not be a member thereof."

Boards of registrars of voters in cities.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor law.

Penalties for violation of the liquor laws.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, from the committee on Towns, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to annex part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield.

Stoneham,—Wakefield.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ought to pass.

Salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Augusta A. Perkins ought to pass.

Augusta A. Perkins.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Scott ought to pass.

Elizabeth Scott.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in addition to a resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ought to pass.

Hadley,—Connecticut River.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on so much of the Governor's address

Lobsters.

as relates to the protection of the lobster fisheries, a Bill for the further protection, preservation and propagation of lobsters.

Accommoda-
tions of State
government in
Boston.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, from the committee on State House, on the special message of the Governor relating to the acquirement of certain property under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888 (in part), a Resolve providing for an agent to care for the property acquired by the Commonwealth for the better accommodation of the State government under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888.

Ibid.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, from the same committee, on the special message of the Governor relating to a plan for the better accommodation of the State government under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888 (in part), a Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting a plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve, to confirm the acts of George C. Bosson as justice of the peace (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to amend chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, pending the question on its engrossment.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to enable laborers to build homesteads, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Isadora F. Lincoln for State aid ; and

On the petition of Julia A. Norcross for State aid ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Berkshire was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth flats at South Boston was read a second time and considered. Mr. Qua of Lowell moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. The motion was lost, and, after debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Gloucester ;

To provide a third assistant to the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business ;

To increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases ;

Authorizing the Amesbury and Salisbury Horticultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to town auditors ; and

To amend section 15 of chapter 215 of the Public Statutes, in relation to female convicts ; and the

Resolve providing for printing an additional number of copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill giving the officers and men of the police department of the city of Boston certain rights of way in the streets, lanes and alleys of said city was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, at twenty-five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 15, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. A. E. Winship of Somerville.

Petitions Presented.

Appointment of clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of William Minot, A. A. Ranney, George S. Hale, Joshua D. Ball, and others, that clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency be appointed by competent authority. Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Tour-workers.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of J. H. O'Neill and others; and by Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Michael S. Doyle and others, — severally, for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. Connell of Dracut, remonstrance of The Collins Mills of Dracut against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, petition of Post 26, G. A. R., of Roxbury, for legislation for repealing the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Horace Draper, et al.

By Mr. Bowman of Boston, petition of Horace Draper and another that they may be reimbursed for loss sustained from injury to a horse belonging to them while doing duty for the State at the annual fall drill of Battery A, M. V. M., in 1886. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Bowman, and sent up for concurrence.

Width of rims to wagon wheels.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of George R. Sampson and others for legislation regulating the width of rims to wagon wheels. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of William H. Besse and others that the provisions of section 10 of

chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade, be renewed and extended.

By Mr. Porter of Brockton, petition of Lilly, Brackett & Co. and others for legislation allowing an appeal from assessors of taxes to the superior court. Appeal from assessors of taxes.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Joseph T. Pease and others for legislation relative to requiring attachments of real estate to be recorded in the registries of deeds in the several counties. Recording of attachments of real estate.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, petitions of F. A. Gaskill and others, E. C. Bumpus and others, and Hosea Kingman and others, — severally, for such legislation as will provide for the attendance of official stenographers at important criminal trials. Attendance of official stenographers at criminal trials.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Jane Skiffington that she may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and Jane Skiffington.

On the petition of Andrew McCormack for additional State aid ; Andrew McCormack.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The House petition of the city of Cambridge to be exempted from the provisions of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an Act relating to the erection and construction of certain buildings, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Cambridge, — erection and construction of certain buildings.

Remonstrances of the Hebron Manufacturing Company, L. M. Harris & Co., Kirk, Hutchins & Stoddard, D. F. Wood, Henry L. James, and of C. A. and S. M. Wheelock, — severally, against any legislation abolishing fines for imperfect weaving, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor. Fines for imperfect weaving.

Reports of Committees.

Transfer of
stock in corpo-
rations.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of stock in corporations and to the limiting of the time for recording the same.

First Battalion
of Light
Artillery.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the First Battalion of Light Artillery for an appropriation to defray the expenses of said battalion to New York on the occasion of the Washington Centennial.

F. A. Osgood,—
Eighth Regi-
ment, M. V. M.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. A. Osgood and others, officers of the Eighth Regiment, M. V. M., for an appropriation to defray expenses to attend the inauguration ceremonies at Washington, March 4, 1889.

Company L,
Sixth Regi-
ment, M. V. M.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George W. Brady, captain of Company L, Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., for an allowance of \$1,000, to assist said company in defraying the expenses of a trip to Washington.

Sixth Regiment,
M. V. M.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles F. Woodward, major of the Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., that an allowance of \$12,000 be granted to the said regiment to defray the expenses of a trip of said regiment to New York, April 30, 1889.

Salary of secre-
tary of the State
Board of
Health.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health.

Salary of clerk
of Board of
Police of
Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, who were instructed to consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the Board of Police of Boston, that no legislation is necessary thereon, as said clerk desired no action upon the order.

Salary of the
secretary of the
Civil Service
Commission.

By Mr. Bennett of Pepperell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Constitutional
amendment,—
intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order and

petitions, Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the central district court of Worcester.

Salary of the clerk of the central district court of Worcester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Westfield to issue additional water bonds ; and

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Newton Street Railway Company to extend its tracks, and to purchase the Waltham and Newton Street Railway ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the taking of smelts ;

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to prohibiting persons engaged in the liquor traffic or having a business interest in said traffic from becoming sureties on liquor license bonds ;

On an order relative to making liquor dealers ineligible to sit as jurors in cases arising under the liquor law ; and

On an order relative to providing that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds of persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

To enable cities to change their boards of registrars of voters so that the city clerk shall not be a member thereof; and

To authorize the Allen Gymnasium Company to hold additional real and personal estate; and

Resolves:

In favor of Augusta A. Perkins;

In favor of Elizabeth Scott;

In addition to a resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town; and

In favor of William Jackson;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Berkshire was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor law was read a second time and considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by inserting after the word "conviction" in line 16 the words "but this section, so far as forfeiture of licenses is concerned, shall not apply to licenses of the sixth class." The amendment was adopted by a vote of 74 to 49. Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to strike out the words "the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns shall prosecute to final judgment all violations of this section." This amendment was also adopted. Amendments moved by Messrs. McDonough of Fall River and Atwood of Boston were rejected. After debate on the question on ordering to a third read-

ing, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Preble of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 99 yeas to 62 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Alden, Jared F.
Alden, Thomas
Atherton, Horace H.
Ayres, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barker, Thomas E.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, John O.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bliss, George
Bond, Nelson F.
Bonney, J. Dean
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Edward F.
Brown, Orland J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clemence, George L.
Connell, Thomas H.
Cook, Louis A.
Crowell, Joshua
Curtis, Francis C.
Cutting, George W.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Douglas, William S.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Ferren, Myron J.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Gould, John B.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Gray, Robert S.
Hale, William M.
Hamilton, Henry D.
Harris, Robert O.

Messrs. Haskell, Forbes P.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Henry, Robert
Hildreth, John
Holder, Langdon H.
Howes, Charles
Howland, Willard
Kimball, John W.
Kimball, Rufus
Lane, Hiram B.
Leach, William W.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Macfarlane, John
Marchant, Cornelius B.
Martin, James P.
Mead, Albert
Miller, Albert E.
Milton, Henry S.
Nichols, William H.
Norcross, J. Henry
Oakman, Henry P.
Paige, Frank E.
Patridge, Joseph A.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Pierce, John N.
Pike, Baxter P.
Plaisted, John W.
Potter, Lurin J.
Prevaux, John J.
Putnam, Charles C.
Qua, Francis W.
Reed, George A.
Richards, James H.
Rogers, George C.
Rowell, William R.
Russell, Stillman
Sanger, Chester F.
Sanger, George P., Jr.
Shepard, George A.
Slocum, Winfield S.
Smalley, Anthony
Stanley, Stephen

Messrs. Stearns, George C.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Stover, Martin L.
Taft, Edgar S.
Thayer, Rufus A.
Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Wales, Abijah T.

Messrs. Wardwell, J. Otis
White, William L., Jr.
Witt, Charles T.
Wood, Samuel
Woodward, Charles F.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Richard B.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Berry, Francis T.
Bigelow, Alden M.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blodgett, Percival
Blume, Andreas
Bowman, Robert H.
Brady, Peter J.
Brewer, Edward W.
Burke, James J.
Carroll, Peter T.
Carter, Charles E.
Clayton, Horace E.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dewey, Henry S.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Edwards, John
Eldredge, George D.
Fottler, Jacob
Garvey, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Greenwood, Abner
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harvey, James W.
Heslan, John E.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kemp, Horace G.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Henry A.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Leary, Edward J.
McCooley, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.
McDonough, John H.
McDonough, John J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Means, Robert F.
Mellen, James H.
Monahan, William H.
Moore, Michael J.
Morse, I. Porter
Murphy, William H.
Newhall, Albert H.
Nolan, Joseph
O'Neil, John W.
Pillsbury, Omer
Preble, William H.
Quinn, Dennis J.
Shaw, Edward P.
Snow, Thomas
Spring, Charles E.
Stafford, John H.
Sullivan, Edward
Swallow, George N.
Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Worth, Ira A.

Yeas, 99 ; nays, 62.

On this question Messrs. Albree of Boston, Cutler of Greenfield, Raymond of Somerville, Porter of Brockton and Wilkins of Ashburnham, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respec-

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tively, with Messrs. McNary of Boston, Lally of Milford, Coveney of Cambridge, Cronin of Worcester and Pratt of Abington.

On motion of Mr. Witt of Boston, at two minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 18, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Dairy products. By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of Grafton Grange, No. 93, Patrons of Husbandry, for such legislation as will prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of dairy products.

Oleomargarine. By the same gentleman, petition of C. L. Leonard and others for such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Boston sewerage system. By Mr. Dewey of Boston, petition of the city of Boston for authority to make a loan outside the debt limit of a million dollars for the continuance and extension of an improved system of sewerage. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Abolishing the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting. By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of W. W. Mansfield and others for such legislation as will abolish the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting.

Clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency. By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of R. M. Morse, Jr., Hutchins & Wheeler, Henry W. Bragg, William B. Gale and others, that the clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency be appointed by competent authority.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

New England Conservatory of Music. By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Weston E. Frye and others; by Mr. Atwood of Boston, petition of Theodore A. Thayer and others; and by Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of Keyes Danforth and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Selwyn Wilbur and others for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills. Tour-workers in paper mills.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Colburn H. Dean and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Thomas J. Casey and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city and town employees at eight hours per day. Eight hours a day's work.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Matthew A. McGregor and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day. Ibid.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Colburn H. Dean and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John A. Slattery and others, — severally, for legislation prohibiting fines for imperfect weaving in textile industries. Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Martin Tobin and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Elbridge G. Stetson and others, — severally, for such legislation as will prohibit the employment of alien labor on public works, either State, county or municipal. Alien labor.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Peter B. Hand and others; and by Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Martin Tobin and others, — severally, for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen at fifty-four hours a week. Hours of labor for women and minors.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Post 118, G. A. R., of Beverly Farms; and by Mr. Russell of Douglas, petition of Post 137, G. A. R., of East Douglas, — severally, for legislation repealing the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of Frederick F. Dougherty for compensation for services rendered at a certain court of inquiry. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Frederick F. Dougherty.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petitions of Martin Tobin and others; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of William W. Hurley and others, — severally, for such legislation as will prohibit the use of steam machinery in penal institutions for mechanical and manufacturing purposes. Steam machinery in penal institutions for mechanical and manufacturing purposes.

chinery in penal institutions for mechanical and manufacturing purposes.

Severally referred to the committee on Prisons.

Unprotected electric wires, overhead wires on street railways.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, remonstrance of the North American Insurance Company against any legislation to permit the use of unprotected wires for the purpose of conveying electricity as a motive power, and asking for a hearing. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Appeal from assessors of taxes to the superior court.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of the Mason Machine Works and others for legislation allowing an appeal from assessors of taxes to the superior court. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Division of the town of Beverly.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of John I. Baker and 191 other voters and tax payers against the division of the town, giving nearly one-half the property to one-ninth of the population and less than one-tenth of the school children. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, petition of Josephine P. Holland and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Lien law.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of J. W. White and others for such amendment of the lien law as will better protect the claims of workmen for wages earned.

Labor on the Lord's day.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Walter F. Sullivan and others for such legislation as will prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, and for which double compensation shall be allowed.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, petition of J. Alban Kite and others for legislation restricting the practice of medicine.

Ibid.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, remonstrance of S. B. Jones and others against any change in the laws relative to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hale of Taunton, was adopted under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule,

moved by Mr. Barker of Malden, and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, so far as said chapter relates to the record and return of deaths, so that said record and return shall show the secondary as well as the primary cause of the deaths of all soldiers or sailors who served during the War of the Rebellion.

Records and returns of deaths of all soldiers and sailors who served during the War of the Rebellion.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to the dealing in western farm mortgages by trust companies, and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Commissioners of savings banks — trust companies.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts for legislation providing that one-third of the members of school committees in cities and towns shall be women (and petitions in aid of the same) ; and

Women on school committees.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 69 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so as to allow a longer time for claiming a jury trial in the supreme judicial court and superior courts ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House petitions :

Of Ebenezer Martin and others for legislation relative to a division of lots in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett ; and

Woodlawn Cemetery.

Of Andrew J. Bailey and Selwyn Z. Bowman for legislation to oblige cemetery corporations to keep books of records of conveyance of burial lots ;

Cemetery corporations.

Severally came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of J. H. Dyar and others for legislation prohibiting the manufacture of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter. To the committee on Agriculture.

Oleomargarine.

Weiighing of
salt-water fish.

Petition of Augustus E. Burns and others that the weighing of fresh salt-water fish by a public weigher be made compulsory. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Fines for im-
perfect weav-
ing.

Remonstrances of L. W. Farnum and Sons; Appleton Company; the Lawrence Manufacturing Company; and the Massachusetts Cotton Mills,—severally, against any legislation tending to abolish fines for imperfect weaving. Severally to the committee on Labor.

Municipal suf-
frage for
women.

Petition of Grace Henshaw and others for legislation enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

System of drain-
age in towns of
more than four
thousand
inhabitants.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Drainage, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to requiring towns of more than four thousand inhabitants to adopt some plan of drainage, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Salary of the
clerk of the
municipal
court of the
West Roxbury
district of the
city of Boston.
Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Fitchburg.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the West Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Fitchburg.

United States
Hotel Com-
pany.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill relative to the holding of property by the United States Hotel Company of Boston, and to voting at meetings of said corporation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State House,—
better accom-
modation for
the State gov-
ernment.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting a plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, in part, a Resolve providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Giving the officers and men of the police department of the city of Boston certain rights of way in the streets, lanes and alleys of said city ; and

Bills enacted.

To further amend an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. A. Osgood and others of the Eighth Regiment, M. V. M., for an appropriation to defray expenses to attend the inauguration of President at Washington, March 4, 1889, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Eighth Regiment, M. V. M.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of stock in corporations and to limiting the time for recording the same, was accepted.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George W. Brady, captain of Company L, Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., for an allowance of \$1,000 to assist said company in defraying the expenses of a trip to Washington ;

On the petition of the First Battalion of Light Artillery for an appropriation to defray the expenses of said battalion to New York on the occasion of the Washington Centennial ; and

On the petition of Charles F. Woodward, Major of the Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., that an allowance of \$12,000 be granted to said regiment to defray the expenses of a trip of said regiment to New York, April 30, 1889; and

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the Board of Police of Boston, as said clerk desired no action upon the order; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Jane Skiffington that she may be made eligible to receive State aid; and

On the petition of Andrew McCormack for additional State aid;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission, was considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission, which was read, and after debate was substituted and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the central district court of Worcester was read a second time, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage were read a second time and considered. Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend by striking out in lines 33, 34, 35 and 36, the words "that in the several cities, the meetings held under this resolve shall be conducted according to the provisions of the acts establishing the same, and of the several acts in addition thereto," and inserting in place thereof the words "that the meetings held under this resolve shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of 1888, as far as

they may be applicable thereto." After debate the amendment was rejected. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the following: "*Resolved*, That the day set apart for the taking of the said vote is hereby made a legal public holiday." The amendment was adopted, and the resolves as amended were ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State district police force ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ; and

To enable cities to change their boards of registrars of voters, so that the city clerk shall not be a member thereof ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Augusta A. Perkins ;

In favor of Elizabeth Scott ;

In favor of William Jackson ; and

In addition to a Resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Allen Gymnasium Company to hold additional real and personal estate was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor law was read a third time and considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 73 to 65.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Framingham, at eleven minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 19, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Abstract of Certificates of Corporations.*Abstract of
certificates and
returns of cor-
porations.

The abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes during the year 1888, was received and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of A. Bradley and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

• Waltham.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, petition of Charles F. Stone and others in aid of a petition to amend the charter of the city of Waltham. Referred to the committee on Cities.

New England
Conservatory of
Music.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of Robert S. Rantoul and 183 others; and by Mr. Conant of Littleton, petition of David H. Brewer and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Woodcock, par-
tridge and quail.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of W. H. Whitcomb and others for legislation to make lawful the taking or killing of woodcock and partridge from September 15th to December 15th, and quail from October 1st to December 15th. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Abolishing
fines for imper-
fect weaving.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, remonstrance of the Wamsutta Mills; and by Mr. Henry of Fall River, remonstrances of the Stafford Mills, the Pocasset Mills of

Fall River, and the Narragansett Mills of Fall River,—severally, against abolishing fines for imperfect weaving in textile industries.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, petition of Post 133, G. A. R., of Wrentham, for legislation repealing the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of John K. Fielder and 161 other voters and tax payers against the division of the town, giving nearly one-half the net income of the town to only one-ninth of the voters. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Division of Beverly.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Marshall L. Adams and others of Provincetown that said town be authorized to construct and maintain a system of water works and to issue bonds or notes to meet the payment thereof. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Water works for the town of Provincetown.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, remonstrance of Otis Morton and others; by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, remonstrance of Joseph Dimmock and others; by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, remonstrance of S. C. Tilton and others; by Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, remonstrance of S. B. Logan and others; by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, remonstrance of Mrs. S. S. Applin and others; by Mr. McDonough of Boston, remonstrance of Harvey Blunt and others; by Mr. Cook of Weymouth, remonstrance of J. W. Wade and 79 others; by Mr. Fottler of Boston, remonstrance of R. H. Dwight and others; and by Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, remonstrance of A. J. Fish and others,—severally, against any change in the laws relative to the practice of medicine.

Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

— Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Gillespie of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill:—

Commissioner
of Province
Laws.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of seven members on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, to investigate into the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Commissioner of Province Laws, to ascertain if there is any foundation to stories of improper treatment of the employees of said office, and also to investigate the manner in which the business of said office has been done and expenditures made, and all such other matters in connection with said commission and commissioner which may seem to the committee expedient.

And full power is given to said committee to send for all persons and papers in connection therewith, and that the committee report to the present General Court at its earliest convenience.

Papers from the Senate.

Division of
Medford.

A report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. M. Barrett and others for a division of the town of Medford and the incorporation of a new town by the name of Brooks (and petitions in aid of the same), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Black Rocks
and Salisbury
Beach Street
Railway Com-
pany.

To authorize the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise (reported on a petition) ; and

Everett Sav-
ings Bank.

To incorporate the Everett Savings Bank in the town of Everett (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Support of
criminal insane
by the Common-
wealth.

A Bill to further provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title) ; and

Resolves :

Registration in
dentistry.

Providing for the printing of twelve hundred extra copies of the Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry (reported on an order) ;

Joseph Nagle.
Antoinette J.
Dalton.
Annie Hines.

In favor of Joseph Nagle ;
In favor of Antoinette J. Dalton ;
In favor of Annie Hines ;

In favor of Eveline E. Leach ; and

In favor of Sarah E. Whiting ;

Eveline E.
Leach.
Sarah E.
Whiting.

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A Bill relative to the voting as proxies and the soliciting of proxy votes by officers of corporations, and the filing of lists of stockholders, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Proxy votes in
corporations.

Petitions of F. Zachtmann and others, Albert R. Wade and others, and Julia H. Mayhew and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

New England
Conservatory of
Music.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the report of the commissioners appointed to investigate the subject of the gradual abolition of the crossing of highways by railroads at grade was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Grade crossings
on railroads.

On motions of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to enable laborers to build homesteads, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

John M. Berry.

On motions of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, the Annual Report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of Jane Parks of Cambridge for the renewal of an annuity, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Jane Parks.

Probate courts,
— administration
of estates.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the provisions of section 4 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, concerning the jurisdiction of probate courts, to cases where the death of a person is involved; and of such other legislation as may be necessary concerning the administration of estates, and the powers and jurisdiction of probate courts.

Bonds for
damage by
dogs.

By Mr. Pike of Topsfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring owners of dogs to give bonds for any damage or injury that may be done to the person of any citizen.

Co-operative
banks.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing co-operative banks to issue shares in quarterly series and still distribute their profits and losses semi-annually.

Employment of
allens in public
institutions.

By Mr. Stafford of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to forbidding the employment of male persons over twenty-one years of age who are not native or naturalized citizens of the United States in the public institutions.

George D.
Morandus.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George D. Morandus that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Newburyport
Water Com-
pany.

By Mr. Thompson of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of the Newburyport Water Company for authority to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000 and to mortgage its franchise and property to pay for construction.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

William Cog-
swell.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the payment of certain bills incurred by William Cogswell, medical examiner of the Fourth Essex District.

Deputy Tax
Commissioner,
— polls and es-
tates.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, on the report of the Deputy Tax Commissioner, a Bill to establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relating to the use of buildings in the city of Boston for stables. Use of buildings in the city of Boston for stables.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide for clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of the county of Middlesex. Clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of Middlesex County.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for an agent to care for the property acquired for the better accommodation of the State government, under chapter 394 of the Acts of the year 1888, ought to pass. State House,—better accommodations for the State government.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ought to pass. Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Augustus A. Lewis. Augustus A. Lewis.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John Flanagan. John Flanagan.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Mary A. S. Batterman. Mary A. S. Batterman.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Maria Gragg. Maria Gragg.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Catherine B. Burroughs. Catherine B. Burroughs.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Printing, on two orders, a Bill relative to the printing of the journals of the Senate and the House of Representatives. Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill concerning the employment of clerks and other assistance in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts for legislation providing that one-third of the members of school committees in cities and towns shall be women (and petitions in aid of the same), was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the holding of property by the United States Hotel Company of Boston, and to voting at meetings of said corporation ; and

To establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motions of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. Subsequently the vote whereby the House voted to close debate at half-past four o'clock was reconsidered, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and, pending the recurring question on closing debate, the same gentleman moved that debate be closed at five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion prevailed. Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater moved to amend in section 1, line 17, by striking out the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word "six."

Also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* Such new stock shall be sold at public auction from time to time, and in such amounts, not exceeding two thousand shares at a time, as the directors may order, seven days' notice, at least, being given by publication of any such sale."

The amendments were rejected, and, after debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, at thirteen minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 20, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, remonstrance of F. B. Mower and others against any legislation to exempt Lynn from provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to limiting debt and rate of taxation in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities.

City of Lynn,—
rate of taxation.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Sidney Bartlett and others that clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency be appointed by competent authority. Referred to the joint committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Appointment of
clerks of courts
and registers of
probate and in-
solveny.

By Mr. Stafford of Lawrence, petition of L. Hubbard and others that towns may be authorized to choose game wardens to enforce the laws relative to game and song birds. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Game wardens
in towns.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of Dennis Leary and others; and by Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, petition of George Robinson and others, — severally, for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Tour-workers
in paper mills.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Crane of Westfield, petition of the A. C. Barnes Whip Company for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Brooks of Springfield.

A. C. Barnes
Whip Com-
pany.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, petition of Post 86, G. A. R., of Northampton, for legislation repealing the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Pauper aid for
indigent sol-
diers and sail-
ors.

By Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, petition of Morgan Rotch and others for legislation regulating the width of rims of wagon wheels. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Width of rims
of wagon
wheels.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of S. Harris Austin and others; by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Mary E. Cabot and others; and by Mr. Cannell of Everett, petition of Francis B. Wallis and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrances of Augustus A. Rowe and others, D. W. Smith and others, and George Dutton and others; by Mr. Cannell of Everett, remonstrances of A. M. Pettengill and others, and of Romeyn Brown and others; by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, remonstrance of Oscar A. Edgerly and others; by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, remonstrance of William S. Howe and others; by Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, remonstrance of James H. Merrill and others; by Mr. Russell of Somerville, remonstrance of Quincy A. Vinal and others; by Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of Mrs. Hattie Younger and others; by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, remonstrance of J. A. Cooper and others; by Mr. Porter of Brockton, remonstrance of R. L. Gilbert and others; by Mr. Bonney of Pembroke, remonstrance of Alfred A. Seaverns and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, remonstrance of Edward A. Orne and others; by Mr. Call of Springfield, remonstrance of F. C. Pray and others; by Mr. Connell of Dracut, remonstrance of George D. Danforth and others; by Mr. Duggan of Boston, remonstrance of William S. Butler and others; by Mr. Sanger of Boston, remonstrance of M. J. Savage and others; by Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, remonstrances of Jonathan Johnson and others, and Charles L. Fisk, M. D., and others; and by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, remonstrance of O. D. Nichols and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Employment of tug boats on Sunday.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, petitions of Nathan Langan and others, David Reid and others, and Henry L. Simpson and others, — severally, for such an amendment of the Sunday law that the letting of yachts and boats shall not include the employment of tug boats, except in cases of necessity.

Naturalization.

By Mr. Carroll of Worcester, Resolutions adopted by

the Naturalization Club of Ward 3, of Worcester, in favor of certain amendments of the laws relating to naturalization.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Rosanna Lockaby and others, heirs-at-law of Nancy Dallagher, otherwise called Joanna Gallaher, for the payment to them of a sum of money belonging to the estate of said Joanna Gallaher and deposited in the State treasury by a public administrator. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Rosanna
Lockaby.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gillespie of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law that all male persons over twenty-one years of age, residents of any city or town in this Commonwealth on or before March 1, A. D. 1889, may be assessed and registered, if properly qualified, and may be entitled to vote upon the Constitutional Amendment, and that all registration lists shall be open for registration until fourteen days before the day appointed for vote upon said amendment, and such other legislation as may seem to them expedient for the aforesaid purposes.

Assessment and
registration of
residents of
cities or towns
for voting upon
the Constitutional
Amendment.

On motion of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions have full power to send for all persons and papers in connection with any matters which are being heard by them, and to compel the production of the same.

Committee
on Public
Charitable In-
stitutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, to investigate into the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Commissioner of Province Laws, was considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by striking out in line two the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the word "three." Pending which amendment the order was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Commissioner
of Province
Laws.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports :****Cattle Com-
missioners.**

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the Annual Report of the Cattle Commissioners ; and

**Election day a
legal holiday.**

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will make a legal holiday any day when any national or State election is held in this Commonwealth ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :**Holyoke Water
Power Com-
pany.**

To authorize the Holyoke Water Power Company to increase its capital stock ;

Granite Mills.

To authorize the Granite Mills to increase its capital stock ;

**City of Boston,
—Moon Island
and Long
Island.**

To authorize the city of Boston to supply Moon Island and Long Island with pure water ; and

**International
Trust Com-
pany.**

To allow the International Trust Company to increase its capital stock and to hold real estate suitable for the transaction of its business ;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

**New England
Conservatory of
of Music.**

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

Petition of F. H. Kasson and others in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. To the committee on Education.

**Fines for imper-
fect weaving.**

Remonstrance of the Lancaster Mills against any legislation tending to abolish fines for imperfect weaving. To the committee on Labor.

**Pauper aid for
indigent sol-
diers and sail-
ors.**

Petition of Post 114, G. A. R., of Merrimac, for legislation for the repeal of laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. To the committee on Military Affairs.

*Reports of Committees.***New York and
New England
R. R. Co.,—termi-
nal lands in
the city of Bos-
ton.**

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, from the committee on Railroads, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to fund, under certain conditions, bonds and debts due on terminal lands in the

city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on petitions of the Bay State Lumber Trade Association and others for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relating to liens. Liens.

By Mr. Ayres of Petersham, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Charles H. Leach and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the fines system in cotton, silk and woollen factories for imperfect weaving. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Stafford of Lawrence and Edwards of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.] Fines for imperfect weaving.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall better protect human life in time of fire. Fire escapes.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to make an accurate trial balance of their depositors' ledgers. Savings banks, —trial balance of depositors' ledgers.

By Mr. Wood of Northborough, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section one of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the location in which a savings bank or institution for savings may transact its principal business. Savings banks, location of, for transacting business.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 19 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to deposits in savings banks. Deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. Leach of Palmer, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888 in relation to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires. Equipment of fire departments for the saving of life at fires.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Old Ladies' Home Association. Old Ladies' Home Association.

Superintend-
ents of streets
in towns.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition and a bill introduced on leave, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of streets in towns.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Clerical assist-
ance in the de-
partment of the
Secretary of the
Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill concerning the employment of clerks and other assistance in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill for the further protection, preservation and propagation of lobsters ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Arranging and
indexing the
probate records
of the county of
Hampshire.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill for arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Division of
Medford.

On motions of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of C. M. Barrett and others for a division of the town of Medford and the incorporation of a new town by the name of Brooks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Hour of Meeting.

Hour of meet-
ing.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church (which originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Berkshire (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Charles D. Jenkins (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the provisions of section 4 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes concerning the jurisdiction of Probate Courts to cases where the death of a person is involved, and of such other legislation as may be necessary concerning the administration of estates and the powers and jurisdiction of Probate Courts, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring owners of dogs to give bonds for any damage or injury that may be done to the person of any citizen ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to forbidding the employment of male persons over twenty-one years of age who are not native or naturalized citizens of the United States in the public institutions ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George D. Morandus that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of the Newburyport Water Company for authority to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000 and to mortgage its franchise and property to pay for construction ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing co-operative banks to issue shares in quarterly series and still distribute their profits and losses semi-annually, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 69 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so as to allow a longer time for claiming a jury trial in the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Courts, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge.

Bills :

To provide for clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of the county of Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the Police Court of Fitchburg (amended on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Municipal Court of the West Roxbury District of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the use of buildings in the city of Boston for stables ;

To authorize the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise ; and

To incorporate the Everett Savings Bank in the town of Everett ; and

Resolves :

Authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting the plan for the better accommodation of the State Government and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction ;

Providing for an agent to care for the property acquired for the better accommodation of the State Government, under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888 ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ; and

Providing for the payment of certain bills incurred by William Cogswell, medical examiner of the Fourth Essex District ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage were read a third time and considered. Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend in line 13 by striking out the word "twenty-second" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteenth." The amendment was rejected. Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to amend in lines 26 and 27 by striking out the words "delivered to the sheriff of the county"; also in line 28 by striking out the words "to be by him"; also in lines 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 by striking out the words "within seven days after receiving the same; or the said mayors and aldermen, and selectmen,

respectively, shall themselves transmit the same to the said office within ten days after the said meetings"; and also by inserting after the word "cities," in line 33, the words "and in the towns which have been divided into voting precincts." The amendments were adopted. Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke moved to amend by striking out the last clause of the resolves, relating to making the day for taking the vote on the amendment a legal public holiday. The amendment was rejected, and the resolves were passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester;

Relative to the holding of property by the United States Hotel Company of Boston, and to voting at meetings of said corporation; and

To establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was read a third time and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, which provided for limiting the rate of fares to be charged to two cents a mile for passenger transportation.

Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order Point of order. that the amendment was not germane and was in violation of House Rule 89. The Chair declared the point was well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to add at the end of section 1 the words:—

"Provided that the first million dollars realized from the sale of said stock shall be expended for the abolishment of grade crossings on said road."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, after extended debate, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, at five minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 21, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

Brockton
drainage.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for authority to make an additional loan of \$50,000 for the purpose of maintaining a system of surface drainage, and to issue bonds to secure payment of the same. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Tour-workers
in paper mills.

By Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, petition of Frank Brown and others; by Mr. Carroll of Worcester, petition of James Stalker and others; by Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of William Brindle and others; by Mr. Barry of Boston, petition of George Harvey and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of Charles J. Buchanan and others; by Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of Patrick McLean and others; and by Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, petition of George W. Welch and others, — severally, for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Pauper aid for
indigent sol-
diers and
sailors.

By Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, petition of Post 19, G. A. R., of Fitchburg; and by Mr. Bliss of Warren, petition of Post 160, G. A. R., of West Brookfield, — severally, for legislation repealing the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Christian Union
Church of
Stoneham.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, petition of the Christian Union Church of Stoneham for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Vaccination
laws.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, petition of Rufus K. Noyes, M.D., and others, for the repeal, modification or amendment of the vaccination laws.

Referred to the committee on Public Health, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, petition of James Leedham, Jr., and others; by Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Robert A. Scott and others; by Mr. Brady of Lowell, petition of Henry Robertsham and others; and by Mr. Pillsbury of Boston, petition of D. S. White and others, — severally, for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society, by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land.

Taxation of
land.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of Alden Webb and 127 other voters and taxpayers against the division of the town, giving nearly one-half the property to one-ninth the population and less than one-tenth the school children. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Division of
Beverly.

By Mr. Worth of Boston, petition of Nancy Field and others; by Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of Sophia A. Forbes and others; and by Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Hattie C. Mason and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman suf-
frage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, remonstrances of E. H. Mathews and others, and Mrs. Connie Nevins and others; by Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, remonstrance of A. L. Lovell and others; by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, remonstrance of J. E. Witcher and others; by Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, remonstrance of Warner Johnson and others; by Mr. Swallow of Boston, remonstrance of Daniel P. Clark and others; by Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, remonstrance of Joseph Bassett and others; by Mr. Allen of Lowell, remonstrance of Mrs. John A. Kimball and others; by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield; remonstrance of Richard Brittone and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, remonstrance of Joseph Phaneuf and others; by Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, remonstrance of R. L. Stone and others; by Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, remonstrance of N. B. Wood and others; by Mr. Mead of Natick, remonstrance of H. J. Freeman and others; by Mr. Hes-

Practice of
medicine.

lan of Boston, remonstrance of William Wilson and others ; by Mr. Lovell of Boston, remonstrance of Charles T. Witt and others ; by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, remonstrance of Alfred E. Giles and others ; by Mr. Bowman of Boston, remonstrance of Alonzo Spear and others ; and by Mr. Albree of Boston, remonstrance of Hobart Moore and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Foote of Lee, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence : —

Abolishment of the police court of Lee and establishment of a district court.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1855, being an act to establish a police court in the town of Lee ; also any acts in amendment thereof ; and of establishing a district court whose judicial district shall include the towns of Lenox, Stockbridge, Lee, Tyringham, Otis, Becket and West Stockbridge or any of them.

On motion of Mr. Worth of Boston, —

Committee on County Estimates.

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as in their judgment they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

History of centennial celebration of adoption of Constitution of the United States.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of legislation providing for the purchase and distribution, amongst the libraries of the Commonwealth, and otherwise, of copies of the History of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Framing and Promulgation of the Constitution of the United States, as celebrated in Philadelphia in September of 1887.

State Board of Health, — purity of inland waters.

A report of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters, and recommending that so

much thereof as relates to water supply be referred to the committee on Water Supply, and so much thereof as relates to drainage be referred to the committee on Drainage, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside of the debt limit to complete its new public library building ; Public Library building in Boston.

To regulate the taking of fish in certain streams within the limits of the town of Randolph ; and Randolph.

To authorize the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary to hold additional real and personal estate ; Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell (being a new draft of a House Bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Assistant clerk for the Lowell police court.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

A petition of the mayor of Worcester that said city be exempted until Jan. 1, 1891, from the provisions of the law in relation to the limitation of the rate of taxation in cities. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Worcester.

A petition of Alvin F. Pease, E. G. Cobb and the county commissioners of Berkshire County, that the counties of Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire may be authorized to unite in establishing one truant school for all of said counties. To the committee on Education. Truant school for Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire counties.

Petitions of George F. Bartlett and others, and A. G. Fearing and others, — severally, for legislation to enable the county commissioners of Bristol County to build a bridge over the Acushnet River between New Bedford and Fairhaven. Bridge over the Acushnet River between New Bedford and Fairhaven.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Charlemont.

Petitions of C. R. Mayhew and others of Charlemont, and G. C. Bolton and others of Heath, — severally, for the relief, in whole or in part, from the expense of repairing a certain highway in the town of Charlemont.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Reports of Committees.

Disfranchisement of persons convicted of certain crimes.

By Mr. Tripp of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of A. R. Sanborn and others for the disfranchisement of persons convicted of crimes against the elective franchise, and of infamous crimes, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Width of rims on wagon wheels.

By Mr. Plaisted of Worcester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting loads carried on highways, and defining the width of tires used in transporting heavy loads thereon; and providing compensation to towns and other parties bound to repair highways for damages caused by excessive use thereof, and sundry petitions relative to the same subject.

Intoxicated persons on street railways.

By Mr. Grant of Revere, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. C. Perkins of Salem for legislation to prevent nuisances on street railroads by intoxicated persons.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Printing the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relative to the printing of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill providing for printing the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives."

Catherine B. Burroughs.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Catherine B. Burroughs ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Lawrence, — bridge across the North Canal of the Essex Company.

By Mr. Davis of Gloucester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company on Union Street in said city.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Mary A. S. Batterman ought to pass.

Mary A. S. Batterman.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Maria Gragg ought to pass.

Maria Gragg.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Antoinette J. Dalton ought to pass.

Antoinette J. Dalton.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the printing of 1,200 extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ought to pass.

Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Eveline E. Leach ought to pass.

Eveline E. Leach.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Joseph Nagle ought to pass.

Joseph Nagle.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of John Flanagan ought to pass.

John Flanagan.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Sarah E. Whiting ought to pass.

Sarah E. Whiting.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Augustus A. Lewis ought to pass.

Augustus A. Lewis.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Annie Hines ought to pass.

Annie Hines.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Eddy of Webster, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill providing for printing additional copies of the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

State Board of
Arbitration.

On motions of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Labor.

Civil Service
Commissioners.

On motions of the same gentleman, the fifth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Fines for Imper-
fect weaving.

On motions of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Charles H. Leach and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the fines system in cotton, silk and woollen factories for imperfect weaving, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water ; and

To provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the second district court of Bristol ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Allen Gymnasium Company to hold additional real and personal estate (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petitions of the Bay State Lumber Trade Association and others for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to liens, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall

better protect human life in time of fire, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Cattle Commissioners ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will make a legal holiday any day when any national or State election is held in this Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth ;

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to make an accurate trial balance of their depositors' ledgers ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the location in which a savings bank or institution for savings may transact its principal business ;

To amend the charter of the Old Ladies' Home Association ;

To provide for the appointment of a superintendent of streets in towns ;

— Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Concerning the employment of clerks and other assistance in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

To amend section 19 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to deposits in savings banks ;

For the further protection, preservation and propagation of lobsters ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires ;

To authorize the Holyoke Water Power Company to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the Granite Mills to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the city of Boston to supply Moon Island and Long Island with pure water ; and

To allow the International Trust Company to increase its capital stock, and to hold real estate suitable for the transaction of its business ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield was ordered to a third reading, and, on motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, was placed first in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Fitchburg ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the West Roxbury district of the city of Boston ; and

To provide for clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of the county of Middlesex ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ; and

Providing for the payment of certain bills incurred by William Cogswell, medical examiner of the fourth Essex district ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Everett Savings Bank in the town of Everett was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an agent to care for the property acquired for the better accommodation of the State Government, under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Kimball of Lynn moved to amend, in line 2, by inserting after the word "appoint" the words "the Sergeant-at-Arms." Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend, in line 10, by inserting after the word "services" the words "not to exceed six hundred dollars per annum." The amendments were rejected, and, after debate, the resolve was rejected by a vote of 58 to 66.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, at fifteen minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 25, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of the mayor of Taunton for legislation giving to said city full control of a certain stream for a receptacle for sewerage. Referred to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Sewerage for the city of Taunton.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of J. Merrill Brown and others; and by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of Thomas Peterson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

New England Conservatory of Music.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petitions of Robert Bennett and others, of George I. Briggs and others, of Leonard Latter and others, and of C. F. Berry and others; and by Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of the selectmen of Wareham and others, D. M. Faunce and others, and William Minot, Jr., and others, — severally, for legislation relative to the setting of gill-nets in Buzzard's Bay.

Setting of gill-nets in Buzzard's Bay.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petitions of John M. Reirdon and others, and John Montgomery and others; and by Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, petition of John J. Laing and others, — severally, for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Tour-workers in paper mills.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an amendment of the charter of the Chelsea Safe Deposit Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Chelsea Safe Deposit Company.

Retention of
children in hos-
pitals.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, petition of Anne S. Robbins and others for legislation authorizing superintendents of incorporated hospitals to retain in their custody all children under fifteen years of age, when, in the opinion of two competent physicians, the removal of said children would result in death or permanent or serious injury to the patients. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taxation of ves-
sels engaged in
the foreign
carrying trade.

By Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of Alden Besse and others for extension of provisions of section 10, chapter 11, of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Muddy River,
or Riverdale
Park, in Brook-
line.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of the selectmen of Brookline that said town be authorized to borrow a certain sum of money to defray the expense of constructing the Muddy River or Riverdale Park, in connection with the sanitary improvement of Muddy River. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Superior court
at Holyoke.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of J. F. Sullivan and others in aid of the order for sessions of the superior court to be held at Holyoke.

Labor on the
Lord's day.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Manuel Croney and others for legislation to prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, for which double compensation shall be allowed.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, remonstrance of O. M. Cook and others; by Mr. Frost of Boston, remonstrances of Solomon Schindler and others, and A. H. Andrews and others; by Mr. Quinn of Boston, remonstrance of George James and others; by Mr. Bicknell of Boston, remonstrance of D. S. Black and others; by Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, remonstrance of James H. Young and others; by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, remonstrance of O. W. Davis and others; by Mr. McDonough of Boston, remonstrance of B. O. and G. Wilson and others; by Mr. Burke of Boston, remonstrance of H. G. Lamprey and others; by Mr. Witt of Boston, remonstrances of M. T. Jenkins and others, Munroe & Davis and others, and H. F. Adwers and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrances of R. F. Jermain and 591 others;

by Mr. Slocum of Newton, remonstrance of J. L. Atwood and others; by Mr. Merrill of Quincy, remonstrance of George A. Badger and others; and by Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, remonstrance of A. W. Bryant and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, remonstrances of Whalls Milton Express and others, and Houghton, Coolidge & Co. and others; by Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, remonstrance of A. W. Stearns and others; by Mr. Pierce of Watertown, remonstrance of Albert C. Warren and others; and by Mr. McCall of Winchester, remonstrance of D. B. Winn and others, — severally, against any law changing the width of rims of wagon wheels.

Width of rims
of wagon
wheels.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, remonstrance of W. B. Stevens and 994 other legal voters of the town of Stoneham, against setting off a portion of the town of Stoneham and annexing said part to the town of Wakefield.

Division of
Stoneham.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Owen J. Reynolds and others for legislation prohibiting the employment of alien labor on public works, either State, county or municipal.

Alien labor on
public works,
either State,
county or muni-
cipal.

By the same gentleman, petition of Owen J. Reynolds and others for legislation to prohibit the system of fines for imperfect weaving.

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Eben F. Weeks and others for such legislation as will give to citizens the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl (and petitions in aid thereof), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Wild fowl.

A Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company and to authorize the building of a bridge from Powder Point to Salter's Beach in the town of Duxbury (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Gurnet Bridge
Company.

A Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commission (reported on an order); and

Salary of chief
examiner of
Civil Service
Commission.

Resolves :

George White.

Company C,
Eighth Regi-
ment, M. V. M.

In favor of George White ; and

In favor of James K. Beede, William B. Potter and
Wallace P. Balcom ;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Weighing of
salt-water fish.

A petition of Edward Morris and others, that the weighing of fresh salt-water fish by a public weigher be made compulsory, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Bridge over
Acushnet
River between
New Bedford
and Fairhaven.

A petition of Ezra Kelley and others, for legislation to enable the county commissioners of Bristol County to build a bridge over the Acushnet River between New Bedford and Fairhaven, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Rosanna Lock-
aby.

The House petition of Rosanna Lockaby and others, for the payment to them of a sum of money belonging to the estate of Joanna Gallaher, and deposited in the State Treasury by a public administrator, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

*Reports of Committees.*Women as
special commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making women eligible to appointment as special commissioners to administer oaths, to take depositions and to take acknowledgments of deeds.

Catch-basins or
cesspools.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making towns, cities or counties liable for damages in certain cases in consequence of the defective construction of, or want of proper care in maintaining, catch-basins or cesspools.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Women as
special commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill enlarging and defining the powers of women appointed special commissioners.

Estate of hus-
band in wife's
lands.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 147 of the Public Statutes, relating to certain rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to pay certain engineers and volunteer firemen. Quincy,—payment of engineers and volunteer firemen.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide extra clerical assistance for the register of probate of the county of Bristol. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Clerical assistance for the register of probate of Bristol County.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Thursday last rejected the Resolve providing for an agent to care for the property acquired for the better accommodation of the State government, under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888. The motion prevailed; and, the question recurring on passing the resolve to be engrossed, it was carried, and the resolve was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. A. Osgood and others of the Eighth Regiment, M. V. M., for an appropriation to defray expenses to attend the inauguration ceremonies at Washington, March 4, 1889, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day. Eighth Regiment, M. V. M.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting loads carried on highways and defining the width of tires used in transporting heavy loads thereon, and providing compensation to towns and other parties bound to repair highways for damage caused by excessive use thereof, and sundry petitions relative to the subject; and Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. C. Perkins of Salem for legis-

lation to prevent nuisances on street railroads by intoxicated persons ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company on Union Street in said city ;

Providing for printing the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives ;

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside of the debt limit, to complete its new public library building ;

To regulate the taking of fish in certain streams within the limits of the town of Randolph ; and

To authorize the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Maria Gragg ;

In favor of John Flanagan ;

In favor of Mary A. S. Batterman ;

In favor of Augustus A. Lewis ;

In favor of Catherine B. Burroughs ;

Providing for the printing of 1,200 extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ;

In favor of Joseph Nagle ;

In favor of Antoinette J. Dalton ;

In favor of Annie Hines ;

In favor of Eveline E. Leach ; and

In favor of Sarah E. Whiting ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the use of buildings in the city of Boston for stables ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to make an accurate trial balance of their depositors' ledgers ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the location in which a savings bank or institution for savings may transact its principal business ;

To amend the charter of the Old Ladies' Home Association ;

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Concerning the employment of clerks and other assistance in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

To amend section 19 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to deposits in savings banks ; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires ; and the

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting the plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise ;

To authorize the Holyoke Water Power Company to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the Granite Mills to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the city of Boston to supply Moon Island and Long Island with pure water ; and

To allow the International Trust Company to increase its capital stock, and to hold real estate suitable for the transaction of its business ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield was read a third time and considered. Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved to amend in section 1 by striking out in lines 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 the words " nine degrees and thirty-three minutes east, three thousand five hundred and nine feet, to a stake in the southerly line of Elm street ; thence south forty-nine degrees and thirty-five minutes east, three thousand one hundred and seventy-two feet," and substituting in place thereof the words " twenty-eight degrees and thirty-five minutes east, six thousand three hundred and thirty feet." After

debate, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 65 to 84, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 88 to 60.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to enable laborers to build homesteads, was considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of streets in towns was read a third time, and considered. Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to amend by striking out section 1 and inserting a new section, as follows: "*Section 1.* At each annual town meeting a superintendent of streets shall be elected by a popular vote of the people, and he shall serve as superintendent of streets for the term of one year;" also in line 2 of section 1, by striking out the words "under the direction of the selectmen;" also in section 4 by striking out in lines 1, 2, 3 and 4 the words "When in the judgment of the selectmen the best interests of the town so require, said superintendent may be removed from his office by said board; and;" also in line 6 of section 4 by striking out the word "removal;" also in line 9 of section 4 by striking out the word "appointed," and inserting in place thereof the word "elected;" also by striking out section 5 and inserting in place thereof a new section, as follows: "*Sect. 5.* Said superintendent shall be placed under such bonds as the selectmen may require for a faithful discharge of his duties, and shall receive such compensation for his services as the town may by vote determine." Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Farren of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow; and, on motion of Mr. Stover of Haverhill, it was placed third in the orders of the day.

On motion of Mr. Worth of Boston, at two minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 26, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, petitions of J. T. Shepard ^{Waltham.} and 352 others, of Byron B. Johnson and 56 others, of Ambrose Webster and 22 others, and of A. M. Goodale and 165 others, — severally, in aid of the petition to amend the charter of the city of Waltham.

By the same gentleman, remonstrances of Timothy ^{Ibid.} Leary and 122 others, of W. A. Adams and 36 others, and of George L. Mayberry and 29 others, — severally, against amending the charter of the city of Waltham.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, remonstrance of John Macnair ^{Lynn.} and 101 others; and by Mr. Richards of Lynn, remonstrance of William G. S. Keene and others, — severally, against an extension of the time for the city of Lynn to conform to the law limiting the rate of taxation in cities.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of Edward ^{Payment of a poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting.} Roots and 75 others for the abolition of the payment of a poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting.

By the same gentleman, petition of Douglas Post, G. A. R., for amendment to article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers exercising the right of ^{Right of franchise.} franchise.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Bancroft of Reading, petition of The Christian ^{Teaching of morals in public schools.} Alliance of Eastern Massachusetts for legislation amending chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1885, in relation to teaching morals in the public schools. Referred to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, remonstrance of ^{Appointment of commissioners for great ponds.} Amoz Smith and others against any change in chapter 75

of the Acts of the year 1881, relative to the appointing of commissioners for each of the ponds named in said Act as petitioned for by David Fisher and others. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Eight hours a day's work.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of C. H. Hyatt and 500 others for such legislation as will fix the hours of labor for State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day.

Tour-workers in paper mills.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of Charles C. King and others; by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, petition of Michael Ryan and others; by Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, petition of James Brown and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, petition of G. S. McKenny and others; and by Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of C. C. Hunter and others, — severally, for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age at fifty-four per week.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Owen J. Reynolds and others for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age at fifty-four per week.

Eight hours a day's work.

By the same gentleman, petition of Owen J. Reynolds and others for such legislation as will fix the hours of labor for State, city and town employees at eight per day.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Post 55, G. A. R., of Provincetown, for legislation repealing the laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Steam-power machinery in penal institutions for manufacturing and mechanical purposes.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Owen J. Reynolds and others to prohibit the use of steam-power machinery in penal institutions for manufacturing and mechanical purposes. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Taxation of land.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of Kenneth Cranford and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society, by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Avon water supply.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of the town of Avon, in addition to the petition of said town for an

Act to supply said town with water. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of J. J. Callanan and others; by Mr. Pillsbury of Boston, petition of Thomas J. Emery and others; by Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of Mrs. A. J. Snow and others; by Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, petition of W. S. Woodcock and others; by Mr. Dewey of Boston, petition of Aaron P. Bean and others; and by Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of Rev. J. Neal and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Woman's suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, remonstrances of Willard Ames and others, and Charles W. Nickerson and others; by Mr. Albree of Boston, remonstrance of Eben Tourjee and others; by Mr. Brooks of Springfield, remonstrance of George Woods and others; by Mr. Tripp of Boston, remonstrance of A. B. Parker and others; by Mr. Holbrook of Athol, remonstrance of Daniel Bigelow and others; by Mr. Witt of Boston, remonstrance of S. H. Thaxter and others; by Mr. Bicknell of Boston, remonstrance of A. W. Mitchell and others; by Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrances of Dr. Levi J. Smith and others, and of Eben Cobb and others; by Mr. Bonney of Pembroke, remonstrance of Joseph E. Merritt and others; by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, remonstrance of A. Hosmer and others; and by Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, remonstrances of Christopher J. Smith and others, and of G. F. Slight and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine. Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, petition of Daniel L. Furber and others for such an amendment to the Sunday law that the letting of yachts and boats shall not include the employment of tug-boats, except in cases of necessity. Employment of tug-boats on Sunday.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of John Donahue and 100 others for amendment of the lien law so as to better protect the claims of workmen for wages earned. Lien law.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Examination of
engineers to run
stationary en-
gines.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of J. E. Dickinson and others, relative to requiring all persons in charge of stationary engines to pass examination as to qualifications for such positions. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Accommoda-
tion of the
courts at Taun-
ton.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of R. Henry Hall, mayor of Taunton, and others, that the county commissioners of Bristol County be authorized to take and hold certain lands for the better accommodation of the courts and of the county at Taunton. Referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Width of rims
of wagon
wheels.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, remonstrance of J. M. Jones & Co. and others against any change in the laws relating to the width of rims of wagon wheels.

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of F. H. Buxton and 300 others for abolishment of the fine system for imperfect weaving in textile industries.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Taxation of real
estate.

Relating to the ownership of real estate for the purposes of taxation (being a new draft of a bill introduced on leave in the House) ; and

Marlborough
water loan.

To authorize the town of Marlborough to make an additional water loan (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of judge
of probate and
insolvency for
Middlesex
County.

A Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (reported on an order) ; and a

State Board of
Health.

Resolve relative to printing two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills :

Voting by
proxy at meet-
ings of street
railway com-
panies.

Relative to voting by proxy at meetings of street railway companies ; and

President and
Fellows of Har-
vard College.

To enlarge the power of the President and Fellows of Harvard College to hold taxable real estate ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Amasa Norcross and others in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. To the committee on Education. New England Conservatory of Music.

Petition of Joseph Ferguson and others for legislation for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills. To the committee on Labor. Tour-workers in paper mills.

Petition of Amasa Norcross and others for an appropriation in aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Hospital Cottages for Children.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of additional medical examiners. Medical examiners.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 2 of chapter 291 of the Acts of the year 1885 as to make it obligatory on the stenographer to report civil cases only when requested by counsel employed in the case or by the presiding justice. Official stenographers.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that official stenographers shall receive annual salaries, instead of the present per diem compensation. Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the law concerning official stenographers, so that they shall attend all trials of criminal cases, and be paid an additional per diem allowance. Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of F. A. Gaskill and others for such legislation as will provide for the attendance of official stenographers at important criminal trials. Ibid.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order Bonds of administrators.

relative to fixing by law the amount of bond to be furnished by administrators.

Mary Fenton.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at her own request, on the petition of Mary Fenton for State aid.

Horace Draper,
—Battery A, M.
V. M.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Horace Draper and another that they may be reimbursed for loss sustained from injury to a horse belonging to them while doing duty for the State at the annual fall drill of Battery A, M. V. M., in 1886.

Susan Ann
Stewart.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan Ann Stewart that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Samuel Hill-
man.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Expenditures, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Samuel Hillman.

Sagamore
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Sagamore Cemetery Association.

Union Invest-
ment Associa-
tion of Boston.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Union Investment Association of Boston.

Lowell,—pro-
prietors of
locks and
canals on Mer-
rimack River.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the proprietors of the locks and canals on Merrimack River to discontinue a part of the lower free landing in the city of Lowell.

City Hospital in
Quincy.

By Mr. Adams of Quincy, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the City Hospital in the city of Quincy.

Public health,—
connection of
buildings with
sewers.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill enabling towns to authorize boards of health to enforce regulations concerning house drainage.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Time of sitting
of superior
court in the
county of
Dukes County.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) changing the time of the sitting of the superior court in the county of Dukes County ought to pass.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring all persons under twenty-one years of age to file with the clerk of the city or town in which they intend to transact business an affidavit to that effect, was taken from the table, and was postponed and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Minors engaged
in business.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the following order was taken from the table and considered:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of seven members on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, to investigate into the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Commissioner of Province Laws, to ascertain if there is any foundation to stories of improper treatment of the employees of said office, and also to investigate the manner in which the business of said office has been done and expenditures made, and all such other matters in connection with said commission and commissioner which may seem to the committee expedient. And full power is given to said committee to send for all persons and papers in connection therewith. And that the committee report to the present General Court at its earliest convenience.

Commissioner
of Province
Laws.

Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to strike out the word "seven" in line 2 and insert in place thereof the word "three." Mr. Gilman of Newton moved to strike out the word "seven" in line 2 and insert in place thereof the word "five." The question was first put on allowing the word "seven" to stand in the order, which question prevailed, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.**Engrossed bills:*

Authorizing the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the planting, cultivating and digging of clams in and around the shores of Gloucester; and
In relation to sales and mortgages of trust estates;
(Which severally originated in the House); and

To incorporate the Everett Savings Bank in the town of Everett (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for printing an additional number of copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners ; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to making women eligible to appointment as special commissioners to administer oaths, to take depositions and to take acknowledgments of deeds ;
and

On an order relative to making towns, cities or counties liable for damages arising from the overflow of defective catch-basins or cesspools ;

Were severally accepted.

The report (S.) of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Eben F. Weeks and others for such legislation as will give to citizens the privilege, between high and low water mark, of shooting wild fowl, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Quincy to pay certain engineers and volunteer firemen ;

Enlarging and defining the powers of women appointed special commissioners ; and

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company and to authorize the building of a bridge from Powder Point to Salter's Beach in the town of Duxbury ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company on Union Street in said city ; and

Providing for printing the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives; and

Resolves:

In favor of Maria Gragg;

In favor of John Flanagan;

In favor of Mary A. S. Batterman;

In favor of Augustus A. Lewis; and

In favor of Catherine B. Burroughs;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To regulate the taking of fish in certain streams within the limits of the town of Randolph;

To authorize the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary to hold additional real and personal estate; and

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside of the debt limit, to complete its new public library building; and

Resolves:

Providing for the printing of 1,200 extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry;

In favor of Joseph Nagle;

In favor of Antoinette J. Dalton;

In favor of Annie Hines;

In favor of Eveline E. Leach; and

In favor of Sarah E. Whiting;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, in the case of the last-named bill.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of C. M. Barrett and others for a division of the town of Medford and the incorporation of a new town by the name of Brooks, was further considered. Mr. Perkins moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks." After debate, the motion to substitute was lost by a vote of 48 to 107, and the report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 27, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Introduced on Leave.

City of Haverhill.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, a Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square. Read and referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

New England Conservatory of Music.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of Oliver H. Durrell and others in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Education.

Nets and gill-nets in Buzzard's Bay.

By Mr. Purrington of Mattapoisett, petition of James W. Austin and others for the repeal of chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to setting nets and gill-nets within one-half mile of the shores of Mattapoisett. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

House of correction in East Cambridge.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, remonstrance of John P. Squire and others against any legislation which would result in the discontinuance of Thorndike Street in East Cambridge, between Second and Third streets and the lots occupied by the house of correction and court house. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of Mrs. O. M. Whittier and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, remonstrance of James Dahl and 102 others; by Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of Dr. Louisa M. Clark and

others; by Mr. Hanson of Lowell, remonstrance of Julia Butterfield and others; by Mr. Grant of Revere, remonstrance of Arthur B. Curtis and others; by Mr. Sanger of Boston, remonstrance of William C. Brown and others; by Mr. Crowley of Boston, remonstrance of John S. Chapin and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrance of Rebecca C. Percival and others; by Mr. Alden of Duxbury, remonstrance of J. F. Howland and others; by Mr. Fottler of Boston, remonstrance of Annie M. Hannaford and others; by Mr. Morison of Boston, remonstrance of A. L. Gladwin and others; by Mr. Lattimore of Boston, remonstrance of Walter J. Bates and 118 others; and by Mr. Brewer of Boston, remonstrance of Nathaniel E. Hart and others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation for the protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers, or of such amendment of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1884 as shall extend the provisions thereof to fish as well as to game; and

Protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as the Bass River Ship Canal Company;

Thomas H. Bacon, — Bass River Ship Canal Company.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill relative to persuading or aiding seamen who have received advanced wages not to proceed on the voyage for which they have shipped, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Seamen.

A Resolve in favor of Mary K. Johnson (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Mary K. Johnson.

A petition of the Springfield Blanket Company and others that the county commissioners of Hampden County be authorized and directed to construct a bridge across

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Williamansett.

the Connecticut River between the city of Holyoke and Willimansett in the town of Chicopee, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Taxation of
vessels engaged
in the foreign
carrying trade.

A petition of the mayor and aldermen of Newburyport that the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade, be extended for five years, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

A remonstrance of James Legg & Co. against any legislation tending to abolish fines for imperfect weaving, came down for concurrence in its reference to the committee on Labor. The subject-matter having been reported upon in the House, the remonstrance was placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Salaries in the
department of
the Treasurer
and Receiver-
General.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the salaries of the paying and receiving teller and third clerk and fund clerk in the Treasurer's department, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Tenure of office
of superintend-
ents of schools.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education on the tenure of office of superintendents of schools. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Duties of
boards of exam-
iners.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill repealing sections 32 and 33 of chapter 23 of the Public Statutes, relating to the duties of boards of examiners.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to a grant of money by the Congress of the United States for the support of agricultural experiments within the Commonwealth.

Trustees of free
public libraries
and of reading-
rooms in towns.

By Mr. Davis of Somerville, from the committee on Education, on an order and a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the

election and the powers and duties of trustees of free libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve confirming the acts of Arthur L. Huntington as a justice of the peace ought to pass.

Arthur L. Huntington.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of George White ought to pass.

George White.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to printing two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys ought to pass.

State Board of Health,—sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to further provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill for arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire ought to pass.

County of Hampshire,—arranging and indexing probate records.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Bill providing for printing additional copies of the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of David J. Lantz.

David J. Lantz.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for certain alterations and repairs in Lyman Hall at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park,—

Voted, That, when the House adjourns on Friday next, it be to meet on the following Tuesday, at 2 o'clock P.M.

Town meetings.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To enable cities to change their boards of registrars of voters, so that the city clerk shall not be a member thereof; and

To establish the salary of the auditor of accounts ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the Granite Mills to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, to extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise ;

To allow the International Trust Company to increase its capital stock, and to hold real estate suitable for the transaction of its business ;

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit, to complete its new public library building ;

To authorize the city of Boston to supply Moon Island and Long Island with pure water ; and

To authorize the Holyoke Water Power Company to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the appointment of additional medical examiners ;

On an order relative to so amending section 2 of chapter 291 of the Acts of 1885 as to make it obligatory on the stenographers to report civil cases only when requested by counsel employed in the case or by the presiding justice ;

On an order relative to providing that official stenographers shall receive annual salaries instead of the present per diem compensation ; and

On an order relative to changing the law concerning official stenographers so that they shall attend all trials of criminal cases and receive an additional per diem allowance ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of F. A. Gaskill and others for such legislation as will provide for the attendance of official stenographers at important criminal trials ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing by law the amount of bond to be furnished as required by administrators ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan Ann Stewart that she may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and

On the petition of Horace Draper and another that they may be reimbursed for loss sustained from injury to a horse belonging to them while doing duty for the State at the annual fall drill of Battery A, M. V. M., in 1886 ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, at her own request, on the petition of Mary Fenton for State aid ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 147 of the Public Statutes, relating to certain rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

To incorporate the Sagamore Cemetery Association ;

To authorize the proprietors of the locks and canals on Merrimack River to discontinue a part of the lower free landing in the city of Lowell ;

To incorporate the city hospital in the city of Quincy ;

Enabling towns to authorize boards of health to enforce regulations concerning house drainage ;

Changing the time of the sitting of the superior court in the county of Dukes County ; and

To authorize the town of Marlborough to make an additional water loan ; and

Relating to the ownership of real estate for the purpose of taxation ; and the

Resolve in favor of Samuel Hillman ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

For the further protection, preservation and propagation of lobsters ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to pay certain engineers and volunteer firemen ; and

Enlarging and defining the powers of women appointed special commissioners ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company and to authorize the building of a bridge from Powder Point to Salter's Beach in the town of Duxbury was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. A. Osgood and others of the Eighth Regiment, M. V. M., for an appropriation to defray expenses to attend the inauguration of President at Washington, March 4, 1889, was further considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by the substitution of a " Resolve in favor of the Eighth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia," which was read, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 64 to 72 ; and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of streets in towns was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, were rejected. Various amendments, moved by Messrs. Smith of Leicester, Cook of Weymouth and Dearing of Braintree, were rejected ; and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 106 to 24.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring all persons under twenty-one years of age to file with the clerk of the city or town in which they intend to transact business an affidavit to that effect, was further considered. Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill compelling minors doing business on their own account to file a certificate setting forth such fact," which was read, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 20 to 71, and the report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Leicester, at ten minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 28, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The twenty-sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College was received, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture. Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The annual report of the Railroad Commissioners was received, and was referred to the committee on Railroads. Railroad Commissioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, petition of Harvey D. Bodwell and others; by Mr. Sobier of Beverly, petition of William E. Norwood and others; and by Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of W. H. Delano and 175 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. New England Conservatory of Music.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, petitions of the Union Boat Club of Boston; Riverside Boat Club; Bradford Boat Club; Crescent Boat Club of Boston; and Robert F. Herrick, captain of the Harvard Boat Club, and others, — severally, for legislation in regard to the drawbridge of the Boston and Albany Railroad near Cottage Farm station. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Drawbridge of the Boston and Albany Railroad near Cottage Farm station.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of Walter H. Borthwick and others for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills. Referred to the committee on Labor. Tour-workers in paper mills.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of R. A. Peirce Post, G. A. R., for the repealing of laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Maximum rates
of passenger
fares on rail-
roads.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of Frederick F. Dougherty and others in aid of an order to regulate maximum rates of passenger fares on railroads. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Taxation of
land.

By Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of P. A. Parker and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society, by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Atherton of Gill, remonstrance of Samuel C. Lincoln and others; by Mr. Atwood of Boston, remonstrance of E. S. Gifford and others; by Mr. Norcross of Medford, remonstrance of C. M. Ball and others; and by Mr. Tripp of Boston, remonstrance of Frederick A. Mann and others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities be authorized to sit during the sessions of both branches.

Commissioners
on Savings
Banks, — trust
companies.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to similarity in the names of trust companies, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Newburyport
Gas Company.

A Bill to change the name of the Newburyport Gas Company (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke
and South
Hadley.

A Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A petition of Southborough Grange, No. 118, Patrons of Husbandry, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products; and

Imitation dairy products.

A petition of W. C. Simpson and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter;

Oleomargarine, etc.

Were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Salaries of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the holding of sessions of the superior court at Holyoke (and petition in aid of the same).

Sessions of the superior court at Holyoke.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting retail sales of cigars and tobacco on the Lord's day.

Sale of cigars and tobacco on the Lord's Day.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing salaries instead of fees for justices of the peace specially commissioned to issue preliminary warrants.

Justices of the peace.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day (and petitions relative to the subject). [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Leach of Palmer, Stafford of Lawrence, Crowley of Boston and Edwards of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.]

Hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees.

By Mr. Bennett of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

Salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district.

Wellesley.

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. J. Lake and others of Wellesley that the proportional part of the tax on certain shares of stock owned by H. H. Hunnewell and transferred by him to certain trustees, to which the said town is entitled, may be ascertained and paid to the town.

Watertown,—
Newton.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton. [Messrs. Cutler of Greenfield, Perry of Rehoboth, Greenwood of Ashland and Marchant of Edgartown, of the House, dissenting.]

Martin Lincoln
and others,—
Scituate,—Co-
hasset.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martin Lincoln and others that so much of their estates as lie in Scituate be annexed to Cohasset.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Free beds in
hospitals for
employees of
manufacturing
corporations.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to authorize manufacturing corporations to support free beds in hospitals for the use of their employees.

Wakefield In-
dustrial School
Company.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Wakefield Industrial School Company.

First Parish in
North Bridge-
water.

By Mr. Brooks of Hanover, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the First Parish in North Bridgewater.

Boston Society
of the New
Jerusalem.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem.

Second Metho-
dist Episcopal
Church of Na-
tucket.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick.

Union Evangel-
ical Religious
Society of Read-
ville.

By Mr. McLaughlin of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to declare the Union Evangelical Religious Society of Readville a religious corporation, and to ratify and confirm the organization and proceedings thereof.

Salary of the
justice of the
district court
of Eastern
Hampden.

By Mr. Potter of Longmeadow, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the district court of Eastern Hampden.

By Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester. Public cemeteries in the town of Winchester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill authorizing the transfer of the property of the Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity and the dissolution of the corporation ought to pass. Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of David J. Lantz ought to pass. David J. Lantz.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Mary K. Johnson ought to pass. Mary K. Johnson.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the assessment of taxes, ought to pass. Assessment of taxes.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the better accommodation of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State District Police Force ; and Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Elizabeth Scott ;

In favor of William Jackson ;

In favor of Augusta A. Perkins ; and

In addition to a Resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Resolves passed.

In favor of Joseph Nagle ;
 In favor of Eveline E. Leach ;
 In favor of Antoinette J. Dalton ;
 In favor of Annie Hines ;
 In favor of Sarah E. Whiting ; and
 Providing for the printing of twelve hundred extra
 copies of the Report of the Board of Registration in
 Dentistry ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education on the tenure of office of superintendents of schools ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Union Investment Company for an act of incorporation ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation for the protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers, or of such amendment of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1884 as shall extend the provisions thereof to fish as well as to game, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as the Bass River Ship Canal Company, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

For arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire ;

To amend chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to a grant of money by the Congress of the United States for the support of agricultural experiments within the Commonwealth ;

To amend chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns ;

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

Repealing sections 32 and 33 of chapter 23 of the Public Statutes, relating to the duties of boards of examiners ; and

To further provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth ; and

Resolves :

Confirming the acts of Arthur L. Huntington as a justice of the peace ; and

In favor of George White ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend chapter 147 of the Public Statutes, relating to certain rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

To incorporate the Sagamore Cemetery Association ;

To authorize the Proprietors of the Locks and Canals on Merrimack River to discontinue a part of the lower free landing in the city of Lowell ;

To incorporate the city hospital in the city of Quincy ;

Enabling towns to authorize boards of health to enforce regulations concerning house drainage ; and

Changing the time of sitting of the superior court in the county of Dukes County ; and the

Resolve in favor of Samuel Hillman ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Marlborough to make an additional water loan ; and

Relating to the ownership of real estate for the purpose of taxation ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Leach and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the fines system in cotton, silk and woollen factories for imperfect weaving, and petitions relative to the subject, was further considered. Mr. McCooley of Blackstone moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or

deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving." The bill was read, and, on motion of Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate on the question of substituting the bill for the report, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McCooey, and, the roll being called, the substitute bill was rejected by a vote of 58 yeas to 87 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas

Atherton, Horace H.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brooks, William H.
Burgess, John H.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coveney, John W.
Crowley, John H.
Davis, Epes
Desmond, Jeremiah
Duggan, Thomas H.
Edwards, John
Eldredge, George D.
Ferren, Myron J.
Garvey, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.
Harvey, James W.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Heslan, John E.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howard, John F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.

Littlefield, Stephen S.
Marchant, Cornelius B.
McCooey, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Mead, Albert
Mellen, James H.
Monahan, William H.
Moore, Michael J.
Morse, I. Porter
Murphy, William H.
Nichols, William H.
O'Mealey, John W.
Parks, Oren B.
Perkins, George A.
Pillsbury, Omer
Raymond, Francis H.
Reed, George A.
Richards, James H.
Riley, Thomas
Snow, Thomas
Stafford, John H.
Stanley, Stephen
Sullivan, John H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Tompkins, Isaac B.
Wilcox, Charles M.
Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albrec, John

Ayres, George
Barker, Thomas E.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bliss, George
Blume, Andreas

Messrs. Bond, Nelson F.

Bottum, John B.
Bowman, Robert H.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brown, Edward F.
Brown, Orland J.
Call, Charles A.

Messrs. Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Messrs. Mendall, Noah F.
Church, Moses D.	Milton, Henry S.
Conant, Nelson B.	Morison, Frank
Connell, Thomas H.	Norcross, J. Henry
Conwell, David	Oakman, Henry P.
Crane, Robert B.	Packard, John B.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Cutting, George W.	Perry, Charles
Dallinger, Frank W.	Pierce, John N.
Dewey, Henry S.	Potter, Lurin J.
Douglas, William S.	Preble, William H.
Fottler, Jacob	Qua, Francis W.
Frost, Henry	Richmond, Albert E.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Rowell, William R.
Gould, John B.	Rugg, Charles P.
Grant, Charles, Jr.	Russell, Stillman
Gray, Robert S.	Sherman, Everett F.
Greenwood, Abner	Slocum, George W.
Hale, William M.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Hanson, Charles H.	Smalley, Anthony
Haskell, Forbes P.	Smith, Henry O.
Henry, Robert	Stearns, George C.
Hildreth, John	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Holbrook, John D.	Stover, Martin L.
Holman, Frank E.	Sullivan, Edward
Howe, Herbert W.	Taft, Edgar S.
Howes, Charles	Thompson, A. Cranston
Howland, Willard	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Johnson, Henry H.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Kempton, David B.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Kimball, John W.	White, William L., Jr.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Witt, Charles T.
Lane, Hiram B.	Worth, Ira A.
Lattimore, Andrew B.	Wyckoff, William A.
Leach, William W.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Lincoln, James D.	

Yeas, 58 ; Nays, 87.

On this question, Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Kemp of Cambridge, O'Neil of Boston, Hayes of Lynn, McEnaney of Boston, Cronin of Boston, Quinn of Boston, McNary of Boston, Leary of Boston, Allen of Lowell, Pratt of Abington, McLaughlin of Boston, Carroll of Worcester and McDonough of Fall River, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Babbitt of Berkley, Lovell of Boston, Alden of Middleborough, Wood of Northborough, Bigelow of Grafton, Plaisted of Worces-

ter, Harrington of Hull, Sanger of Boston, Carpenter of Brookline, Foote of Lee, Giddings of Great Barrington, Martin of Lynn, Glasgow of Worcester and Gardiner of Raynham.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 74 to 38.

The Resolve relative to printing two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Barnes moved to amend by substituting for the resolve the following:—

Resolved, That there be printed two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys, five hundred of the same to be for the use of said board, and the balance to be distributed under the direction of the joint committee on Drainage.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words “the joint committee on Drainage” and inserting in place thereof the words “the Sergeant-at-Arms.”

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Lovell of Boston asked for a count of the House. A count was had, and showed that sixty-eight members were present. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to bring in the absent members.

At one minute past five o'clock, on motion of Mr. Kennedy of Boston, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 1, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, Resolutions relative to an international convention in relation to ocean steamers crossing the Grand Banks. International convention,—ocean steamers.

Read and referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of Leander Small and 153 others against legislation making the taking of scallops in the waters of this State free to all citizens of the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Scallops.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of Chauncy Sears and others of Lenox against the abolishment of the police court of Lee, and establishment of a district court. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Abolition of the police court of Lee, and establishment of a district court.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of William Fitzgerald and 196 others against abolishing the jail and house of correction at Nantucket, and providing for new accommodations for prisoners of Nantucket County. Referred to the committee on Prisons. Abolishing jail and house of correction at Nantucket.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of John H. Mahoney and others for legislation defining what expenses are to be charged to construction, and what to operating expenses of railroads. Construction and operating expenses of railroads.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, remonstrance of George E. Kimball and others against granting the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore R. R. Company for an extension of time to construct and complete its road to Point Shirley. Boston, Winthrop and Shore R. R. Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Beck of Milton, remonstrance of Elmer Wetherbee and others; by Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, remonstrance of Alice P. Torrey and others; by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, remonstrance of J. L. Basford and others; by Mr. Brewer of Boston, remonstrance of C. W. Putnam and others; by Mr. Harvey of Boston, remonstrance of Mrs. C. A. Dodge and others; by Mr. Hanson of Lowell, remonstrance of J. M. Folsom, M. D., and others; and by Mr. Means of Boston, remonstrance of Mrs. Martha M. West and others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until Tuesday, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston: —

Salary of the
fire marshal of
Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of establishing the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston.

Pleasant Street
Baptist Church
of Worcester.

A report of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the trustees of the Pleasant Street Baptist Church of Worcester for such legislation as shall enable them to sell and convey real estate held by them in trust for said church, and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Reports :

Loan for the
purchase of
land for the ex-
tension of the
State House.

Of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the loan for the purchase of land for the extension of the State House;

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organi-
zations.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, so as to make the provisions of section 21 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, regarding misrepresentation in the negotiation of a contract or policy, applicable thereto;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Jacob Bartlett for additional State aid ; and

Jacob Bartlett.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid ;

Frederick B. Kellogg.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Petitions of George H. Scott and others ; and of Elmer H. Capen and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

New England Conservatory of Music.

The House petition of J. E. Dickinson and others for legislation relative to requiring all persons in charge of stationary engines to pass examination as to qualifications for such positions, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Stationary engines, examination of persons in charge of.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to providing that all male persons over twenty-one years of age, residents of any city or town in the Commonwealth on or before March 1, 1889, may be assessed and registered if properly qualified, and may be entitled to vote on the constitutional amendment, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Constitutional amendment, — assessment and registration of voters.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the payment of loans not yet matured.

Payment of loans not yet matured.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to actions for damages for infringement of patents.

Infringement of patents.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, concerning the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Frederick F.
Dougherty.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick F. Dougherty for compensation for services rendered at a certain court of inquiry.

Quinsigamond
Natural History
School.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Josiah Pickett and others for legislation authorizing the Governor to issue commissions as military officers to the superintendent's staff and battalion officers of the battalion at the Quinsigamond Natural History School.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Proof of city
ordinances.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to proof of statutes.

Joint tenancy
and tenancy in
common in per-
sonal and real
estate.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning joint tenancy and tenancy in common of real and personal estate.

Rights and
liabilities of
husband and
wife.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend the law concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

Fred B. By-
ram.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve confirming the acts of Fred B. Byram as justice of the peace.

Reed or Bright-
man burial
ground in Fall
River.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct streets or ways through the Reed or Brightman burial grounds.

Snell burial
ground in Fall
River.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct a street or way through the Snell burial ground.

Buildings in the
public parks of
the city of Bos-
ton.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill relating to buildings in the public parks of the city of Boston.

Homeopathic
Medical Dis-
pensary.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Homeopathic Medical Dispensary to hold additional real and personal estate.

Bradford Farm-
ers' and Me-
chanics' Insti-
tute.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to enlarge the power of the President and Fellows of Harvard College to hold taxable real estate ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading.

Harvard College, President and Fellows of.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Leach of Palmer, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees.

On motions of Mr. Gilman of Newton, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Watertown,—Newton.

Orders of the Day.

Report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation providing for the holding of sessions of the superior court at Holyoke, and the petition in aid of the same ;

Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to prohibiting the retail sales of tobacco and cigars on the Lord's day ; and

On an order relative to establishing salaries instead of fees for justices of the peace specially commissioned to issue preliminary warrants ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. J. Lake and others of Wellesley that

the proportion of the tax upon certain shares of stock owned by H. H. Hunnewell and transferred by him to certain trustees, to which the said town is entitled, may be ascertained and paid to the town ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martin Lincoln and others that so much of their estates as lie in Scituate be annexed to Cohasset ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the assessment of taxes ;

Bill to incorporate the Wakefield Industrial School Company ;

To declare the Union Evangelical Religious Society of Readville a religious corporation, and to ratify and confirm the organization and proceedings thereof ;

To change the name of the First Parish in North Bridgewater ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem ;

To change the name of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick ;

To authorize manufacturing corporations to support free beds in hospitals for the use of their employees ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ;

Authorizing the transfer of the property of the Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity, and the dissolution of the corporation ;

To change the name of the Newburyport Gas Company ; and

Resolves :

In favor of David J. Lantz ; and

In favor of Mary K. Johnson ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the district court of Eastern Hampden was read a second time and considered. Mr. Leach of Palmer moved to amend by striking out in line 4 the words "one thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve hundred." The amendment was adopted by a vote of 87 to 21. The same gentleman also moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : "*Sect. 2.*

This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

For arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire ;

To amend chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns ;

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and

Repealing sections 32 and 33 of chapter 23 of the Public Statutes, relating to the duties of boards of examiners ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to further provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth ; and

Resolves :

Confirming the acts of Arthur L. Huntington as a justice of the peace ; and

In favor of George White ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to a grant of money by the Congress of the United States for the support of the agricultural experiments within the Commonwealth, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Paige of Amherst moved to amend by striking out, in line 2 of section 2, the words "authorized and instructed," and inserting in place thereof the word "requested ;" also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows : "*Sect. 3.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve relative to printing two thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys was further considered, the question being on engrossment. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McDonough of

Boston to the resolve moved as a substitute by Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, was rejected by a vote of 39 to 69. The resolve moved as an amendment by Mr. Barnes of Chelsea was substituted, and the resolve as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Barnes, Rule 15 was suspended, and the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, at ten minutes before two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 5, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, petition of James W. Higgins and others in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Education.

New England Conservatory of Music.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of Isaac J. Newton and others against the abolishment of the police court of Lee, and establishment of a district court. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Abolishment of the police court of Lee, and establishment of a district court.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, remonstrance of Dudley Roberts of Waltham and others against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

American Bell Telephone Company.

By Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, petition of Charles S. Kelley and others of New Bedford for an Act of incorporation as the Wamsutta Club, for the purpose of maintaining a club and reading-room. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Wamsutta Club of New Bedford.

By Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, petition of E. P. Wallace Post, G. A. R., of Amesbury, for the repealing of laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Aid to soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, petition of Hannah Allen and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman's suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petitions of Captain James Perkins and others; and E. W. Cates and others,

Employment of tug-boats.

—severally, for such an amendment to the Sunday law that the letting of yachts and boats shall not include the employment of tug-boats, except in cases of necessity.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Tripp of Boston, remonstrance of W. H. Baker and others; by Mr. Bliss of Warren, remonstrance of E. A. Churchill and others; by Mr. Heslan of Boston, remonstrance of George Babson and others; and by Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, remonstrance of N. H. Babson and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Salary of the
fire marshal of
Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of establishing the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston.

Reports:

Mortgage, loan
and investment
companies.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 387 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to the guaranty fund of mortgage, loan and investment companies, by inserting the words “hereafter established” after the word “corporation” in the first line of said section; and

Assessment in-
surance,—
emergency
fund.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 183 of the Acts of the year 1885, in regard to an emergency fund.

Oakland Gar-
den Associa-
tion.

A Bill to change the name of the Oakland Garden Association, and to grant certain powers and privileges to said corporation; and

Resolves:

Abby P. Choate.

In favor of Abby P. Choate; and

George W.
Warren.

In favor of George W. Warren;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

A Bill relating to electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and a

Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the report of the Commissioner of Public Records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Commissioner of Public Records of parishes, towns and counties.

Severally reported on an order and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor laws came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out in lines 16, 17 and 18 the words " but this section, so far as forfeiture of licenses is concerned, shall not apply to licenses of the sixth class ; " also by striking out section 2, to wit : " This act shall take effect on its passage. " On motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rule was suspended and the amendments were considered. After debate, the House non-concurred in the amendments. Subsequently, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House non-concurred, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Penalties for violations of liquor laws.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the Christian Alliance of Eastern Massachusetts for legislation amending chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1885, in relation to teaching morals in the public schools, had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Teaching of morals in the public schools.

A petition of P. M. C. Jones and others, for an amendment of the laws of 1883, relating to the dressing of poultry, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

Dressing of poultry.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for amendment of the charter of the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to conveyances of real estate and the papers necessary to vest title.

Conveyances of real estate.

Policy playing.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting "policy playing."

Foreign corporations.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the application of the statute of limitations to foreign corporations.

Lumber, survey and sale of.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the survey and sale of lumber.

District police.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of the district police.

Josiah Bartlett, statue of, in the town of Amesbury.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to devoting a part of a certain unexpended appropriation for the purpose of providing a suitable enclosure for the statue of Josiah Bartlett at Amesbury.

Great ponds, lease of, in the town of Boxford.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. K. Pearl and others of Boxford for the lease of great ponds in said town for the cultivation of useful fishes.

Columbian Associates of Lynn.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Columbian Associates for an act of incorporation for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a public hall in the city of Lynn.

Lowell Protective Association.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. F. Salmon and others for an act of incorporation as the Lowell Protective Association.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Legacies bequeathed to minors who have no legal guardian.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to provide for the disposition of legacies bequeathed to minors who have no legal guardian.

Clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Bristol County.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide extra clerical assistance for the register of probate of the county of Bristol ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Bristol County.

Lyman School for Boys.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain alterations and re-

pairs in Lyman Hall at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, Resolve providing for the payment of certain bills incurred, in excess of appropriations therefor, at the Lyman School for Boys.

By Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, from the committee on Education, on an order and petition, a Bill to amend chapter 173 of the Acts of the year 1865, in relation to the Board of Overseers of Harvard College.

Board of Overseers of Harvard College.

By Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to prevent the baiting and shooting of wild fowl in the night time.

Baiting and shooting of wild fowl.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Pilot's Relief Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

Boston Pilot's Relief Society.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Newton Real Estate Association. (Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.)

Newton Real Estate Association.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the A. C. Barnes Whip Company.

A. C. Barnes Whip Company.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to hold additional real and personal estate.

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Plymouth.

Salary of clerk of the third district court of Plymouth.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to municipal suffrage for women, and in part on certain petitions relating to the subject, a Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote in all town and municipal elections for all town and city officers in such city or town.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

River, between Holyoke and South Hadley, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Trustees of free public libraries and reading rooms in towns.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Somerville, the vote whereby, on Friday last, the Bill amending chapter 304 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns, was passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Davis moved to amend by adding at the end of the bill the words, "provided any town having a free public library which has heretofore elected a board of trustees to manage the same, consisting of a number divisible by three, and has heretofore elected annually one-third of said board for three years, may continue to elect annually one-third of said board, and the trustees in office shall hold their offices until the term for which they were elected shall expire, unless the town shall vote otherwise." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the vote whereby, on Friday last, the House accepted the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Taken from the Table.

Jury trial in the supreme judicial court and superior courts.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 69 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so as to allow a longer time for claiming a jury trial in the supreme judicial court and superior courts, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Co-operative banks.

On motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to

legislate, on an order relative to allowing co-operative banks to issue shares in quarterly series and still distribute their profits and losses semi-annually, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the holding of property by the United States Hotel Company of Boston, and to voting at meetings of said corporation ; Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the central district court of Worcester ; and

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Marlborough to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to ownership of real estate for the purpose of taxation ;

To regulate the taking of fish in certain streams within the limits of the town of Randolph ;

In addition to the Act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company, and to authorize the building of a bridge from Powder Point to Salter's Beach in the town of Duxbury ; and

To authorize the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary to hold additional real and personal estate ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate : Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, concerning the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

On an order relative to the payment of loans not yet matured ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Josiah Pickett and others for legislation authorizing the Governor to issue commissions as military officers to the superintendent's staff and battalion officers of the battalion at the Quinsigamond Natural History School ; and

On the petition of Frederick F. Dougherty for compensation for services rendered at a certain court of inquiry ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the loan for the purchase of land for the extension of the State House ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, so as to make the provisions of section 21 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, regarding misrepresentation in the negotiation of a contract or policy, applicable thereto ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Jacob Bartlett for additional State aid ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute ;

To authorize the Homeopathic Medical Dispensary to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct streets or ways through the Reed or Brightman burial grounds ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct a street or way through the Snell burial ground ;

Relating to buildings in the public parks of the city of Boston ;

Concerning joint tenancy and tenancy in common of real and personal estate ;

To amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to proof of statutes ; and

Relative to enlarging the power of the President and Fellows of Harvard College to hold taxable real estate ; and the

Resolve confirming the acts of Fred B. Byram as justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend the law concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. Blume of Boston.

Bills :

To amend chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the assessment of taxes ;

To incorporate the Wakefield Industrial School Company ;

To declare the Union Evangelical Religious Society of Readville a religious corporation, and to ratify and confirm the organization and proceedings thereof ;

To change the name of the First Parish in North Bridgewater ;

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem ;

To change the name of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick ;

To authorize manufacturing corporations to support free beds in hospitals for the use of their employees ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of Eastern Hampden ; and the

Resolve in favor of David J. Lantz ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the transfer of the property of the Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity, and the dissolution of the corporation ; and

To change the name of the Newburyport Gas Company ; and the

Resolve in favor of Mary K. Johnson ;
Were severally read a third time and were passed to be
engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, at seven-
teen minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 6, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. E. Strong of Newton.

Returns of Registered Female Voters for School Committee.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting the returns of the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1888, inclusive, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting. The communication was read, and the returns were referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage, and sent up for concurrence.

Returns of registered female voters for school committee.

Member Qualified.

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth the certificate of election of Mr. Stephen L. Northup, member-elect from the Third Berkshire Representative District; and, that gentleman being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Brewster of Worthington and McDonald of Pittsfield were appointed a committee, who conducted him to the council chamber; and, he having qualified, report was made accordingly. Mr. Northup was appointed on the committee on Taxation, to fill the vacancy on said committee.

Member qualified.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, a Bill to prevent the mutilation of horses. Read and referred to the committee on Agriculture, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Mutilation of horses.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of George H. Cobb and others against the abolition of the police court at Lee, and the establishment of a district court.

Abolition of the police court at Lee, and the establishment of a district court.

Abolition of the police court at Lee, and the establishing of a district court.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of Ward Lewis and others for the abolition of the police court at Lee, and the establishing of a district court.

Severally referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Tour-workers in paper mills.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Charles Turner and 80 others for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age at fifty-four per week.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of William E. Coggin and 56 others for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age at fifty-four per week.

Alien labor.

By the same gentleman, petition of M. F. Lamb and 53 others for such legislation as will prohibit the employment of alien labor on public works, either State, county or municipal.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

American Bell Telephone Company.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, remonstrance of C. A. Abbott and others of Lowell against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Holbrook of Athol, petition of Post 123, G. A. R., of Athol, for the repealing of the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Steam power machinery in penal institutions.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of M. F. Lamb and 79 others for legislation prohibiting the use of steam power machinery in penal institutions for manufacturing and mechanical purposes. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Regulating fares of horse and steam railroads leaving Boston.

By Mr. Barrett of Melrose, petition of Leonard Darling and others for legislation regulating the rates of fares of horse and steam railroads leaving Boston. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, petition of Dora E. Pitcher and others; by Mr. Dewey of Boston, petition of Rosa Prang and others; by Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Frank E. Sibley and others; by Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, petition of Mary C. Harris and others; and by Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of Cora L. Cheney and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling

women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, remonstrance of H. W. Holbrook and others; by Mr. Monahan of Boston, remonstrance of F. Anderson and others; by Mr. Brewster of Worthington, remonstrance of Daniel Taylor and 73 others; by Mr. Sanger of Boston, remonstrance of Herbert A. Richardson and others; and by Mr. Rogers of West Newbury, remonstrance of Smith Evans and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Herbert Ryan and 48 others for such legislation as will prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, and for which double compensation shall be allowed.

Labor on the Lord's day.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Edward F. Johnson, mayor of the city of Woburn, for legislation to confirm the acts of the city clerk and the city treasurer of the city of Woburn.

Woburn.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Charles Turner and 88 others for such legislation as will fix the hours of labor for State, city and town employees at eight per day.

Eight hours a day's work.

Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Spayed dogs.

A Bill in relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Petition of Ware Grange, No. 164, Patrons of Husbandry, for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation dairy products.

Imitation dairy products.

Oleomargarine,
etc.

Petition of Frank W. Harwood and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter.

Ibid.

Petition of Handel N. Daggett and others for legislation to prevent the fraudulent coloring of oleomargarine in imitation of butter.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

New England
Conservatory
of Music.

Petitions of R. L. Greene and others; and of Patrick T. Hanley and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Aid for indigent
soldiers and
sailors.

Petitions of Post 46, G. A. R., of Fall River, and of Post 30, G. A. R., of Lawrence, — severally, for the repeal of chapter 438 of the Acts of the year 1888 referring to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

Legal title of a
certain ceme-
tery in the city
of New Bed-
ford.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city council of New Bedford for an Act to authorize said city to remove the bodies from a certain cemetery in said city, and to secure the legal title thereof to the aforesaid city.

Social clubs.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no club for social or other purposes shall be incorporated under the general laws of the Commonwealth, unless first recommended by the board having power to grant licenses in the town or city where such club is to be located.

Illegal gaming
and sale of in-
toxicating
liquors by clubs.

By the same gentleman, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing illegal gaming and the illegal selling of intoxicating liquors by clubs incorporated under the general law.

Meetings and
elections of in-
surance com-
panies.

By Mr. Church of Cambridge, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 74 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the calling of meetings and the manner of voting thereat, by proxy or otherwise; also, to amending section 25 of said chapter, relating to the

manner of electing directors and the filling of vacancies in boards of directors.

By Mr. Stearns of Dedham, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on part two of the third annual report of the Insurance Commissioner for the year 1887 (taken from the Senate files of last year).

Part two of the third annual report of the Insurance Commissioner for the year 1887.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. M. Burgess and others that the taking of scallops in the waters of this State may be made free to all citizens of the Commonwealth.

Scallops.

By Mr. Cutting of Weston, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting corporations from writing or printing, on any envelope or other article containing the wages of its employees, any matter except the name of the employee and amount of wages.

Pay envelopes.

By Mr. Nichols of Wilmington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent employers from discharging or discriminating against employees because of belonging to labor organizations.

Employees, — labor organizations.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting corporations from reducing the pay of their employees without first giving such employees fifteen days' notice.

Notice of reduction of pay of employees.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the better accommodation of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for the purchase of land and for repairs to the buildings on the same, at the Lyman School for Boys."

Lyman School for Boys.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal.

Newburyport sewerage.

By Mr. Leach of Palmer, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language.

Employment of minors.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of

Salary of the justice of the municipal court

of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

Salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business in the city of Boston.

the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill in aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville in the town of Templeton. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Protection of private lands from trespass.

On motion of Mr. Leach of Palmer, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to further legislation for the protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers, or of such amendment of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1884 as shall extend the provisions thereof to fish as well as to game, was taken from the table. Pending the question on its acceptance, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Municipal suffrage for women.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote in all town and municipal elections, for all town and city offices, in such city or town, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Bicknell of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was suspended.

Public cemeteries in Winchester.

On motions of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of the district police, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

District police.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer of the county of Middlesex ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to deposits in savings banks ;

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to make an accurate trial balance of their depositors' ledgers ;

To amend the charter of the Old Ladies' Home Association ;

Relating to the use of buildings in the city of Boston for stables ; and

To further provide for the support of the criminal insane by the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (which originated in the House) ;

Resolves passed.

Confirming the acts of Arthur L. Huntington as a justice of the peace ; and

In favor of George White ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor laws, was considered, and after debate was adopted. The question recurring on concurring with the Senate in the amendments, the House non-concurred in the amendment at A, and concurred in the amendment at B, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to actions for damages for infringement of patents ;

On an order relative to conveyances of real estate and the papers necessary to vest title ;

On an order relative to prohibiting " policy playing ; "

On an order relative to the application of the statute of limitations to foreign corporations ;

On an order relative to the survey and sale of lumber ; and

Of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to devoting a part of a certain unexpended appropriation for the purpose of providing a suitable enclosure for the statue of Josiah Bartlett at Amesbury ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. K. Pearl and others of Boxford for the lease of great ponds in said town for the cultivation of useful fishes ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of W. F. Salmon and others for an act of incorporation as the Lowell Protective Association ; and

On the petition of the Columbian Associates for an act of incorporation for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a public hall in the city of Lynn ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 387 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to the guaranty fund of mortgage, loan and investment companies, by inserting the words " hereafter established " after the word " corporation " in the first line of said section ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 183 of the Acts of the year 1885 in regard to an emergency fund ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton, was, on motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending an amendment moved by Mr. Greenwood of Ashland to substitute a " Bill to annex a part of the town of Watertown to the city of Newton "

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of Roxbury district of the city of Boston, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Bills :

To authorize the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Plymouth ;

To authorize the Boston Pilot's Relief Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To change the name of the A. C. Barnes Whip Company ;

To prevent the baiting and shooting of wild fowl in the night time ;

To amend chapter 173 of the Acts of the year 1865, in relation to the Board of Overseers of Harvard College ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Bristol County ; and

To provide for the disposition of legacies bequeathed to minors who have no legal guardian ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of certain bills incurred, in excess of the appropriations therefor, at the Lyman School for Boys ;

In favor of Abby P. Choate ; and

In favor of George W. Warren ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Oakland Garden Association, and to grant certain powers and privileges to said corporation, was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Bills :

To incorporate the Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute ;

To authorize the Homœopathic Medical Dispensary to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct streets or ways through the Reed or Brightman burial grounds ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct a street or way through the Snell burial ground ; and

Relating to buildings in the public parks of the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of Fred B. Byram as justice of the peace (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to enlarging the power of the President and Fellows of Harvard College to hold taxable real estate was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Newton Real Estate Association was read a second time and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend, in line 2 of section 2, by striking out the word "counties" and inserting in place thereof the word "county;" also by striking out in the same line the words "and Suffolk." After debate, the amendments were rejected, by a vote of 62 to 90, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Quincy, at eighteen minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 7, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Committee Appointed.

Province laws.

The Speaker appointed as the committee on the part of the House to investigate the affairs of the office of the Commissioner of Province Laws, Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Allen of Woburn, Gillespie of Boston, Rowell of Methuen, Leach of Boston, Smalley of Nantucket and McNary of Boston.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, petition of L. A. Manning and others for such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other imitations of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Establishment
of a district
court in place
of the police
court of Lee.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, remonstrance of Frederick S. Aymar and others against the establishment of a district court in place of the police court of Lee, which shall include the town of Stockbridge. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, remonstrance of W. G. Webber & Co. and others of Salem against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for permission to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Aid for indigent
soldiers
and sailors.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of Post 99, G. A. R., of Andover; and by Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, petition of Frederick Hecker Post 21, G. A. R., of Boston, — severally, for the repealing of laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, remonstrance of Samuel E. Blair and 421 others against the establishment of a district court for Western Worcester. District court for Western Worcester.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of W. J. Higgins and others; by Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, remonstrance of W. G. Davis and others; by Mr. Worth of Boston, remonstrance of F. D. Perkins and others; by Mr. Means of Boston, remonstrance of J. W. Keyes and others; and by Mr. Fottler of Boston, remonstrance of N. A. Plympton and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine. Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, petition of George A. Shepard of Sandisfield that certain proceedings of the town of Sandisfield in relation to the manner of collecting their taxes assessed in 1888 may be confirmed and made valid. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Town of Sandisfield.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John E. Heslan and others for legislation giving to wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston each two representatives in the General Court, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Additional representatives to the General Court for wards 22 and 25 of Boston.

Bills:

To authorize the Unitarian Sunday School Society to hold meetings in any part of the United States, and to confirm certain proceedings of said corporation (reported on a petition); Unitarian Sunday School Society.

To provide for the holding of weekly sessions of the district court of Hampshire in the town of Ware (reported on an order and a petition); Weekly sessions of the district court of Hampshire at Ware.

Relating to the discharge of inmates of the State Industrial and Reform Schools (reported on a petition); Discharge of inmates of State Industrial and Reform Schools.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage. Intoxicating liquors, — constitutional amendment.

erage came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Exemption
from legal process
of pension
money of soldiers.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to exempt from legal process the pension money paid by the United States to soldiers and their heirs.

Cider.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —
Petition of David P. Beal and others for an amendment of the Public Statutes exempting cider from the provisions thereof relating to intoxicating liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman suffrage.

Petitions of Henrietta L. T. Walcott and others, and Helen A. Shafer and others, — severally, for legislation enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Inspection of
apples.

By Mr. Clemence of Southbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Charles Lawrence and others for legislation respecting the inspection of apples.

National flag on
school-houses.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the erection and maintenance of the national flag on all public school buildings.

Woodcock,
partridge and
quail.

By Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. H. Whitcomb and others for legislation to make lawful the taking or killing of woodcock and partridge from September 15th to December 15th, and quail from October 1st to December 15th.

Ibid.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Maher and others for such legislation as will allow the taking and killing of woodcock from September 15th to January 1st, and quail and partridge from October 1st to January 1st.

Trout.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the South Berkshire Sportsman's Club and others for legislation

providing a penalty for taking, without immediately returning to the water from which they are caught, trout less than six inches in length, and for having in possession trout less than that length.

By Mr. Haskell of Gloucester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the time of taking and killing quail. Quail.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to defining what is meant by pauper inmates in State charitable institutions and lunatic hospitals. Pauper inmates of State charitable institutions and lunatic hospitals.

By Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the increase of insanity and the care of the insane. Increase of insanity.—care of insane.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the cremation of garbage and other substances deleterious to the public health. Cremation of garbage and swill.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the Public Statutes, relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of the deceased wife or husband. Rights of husband or wife in deceased husband's or wife's real estate.

By Mr. Leach of Palmer, from the committee on Labor, on an order and petitions, a Bill to prohibit the employment of aliens by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein. Alien labor.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Art Club to hold additional real and personal estate. Boston Art Club.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company. Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Dartmouth Club of New Bedford. Dartmouth Club of New Bedford.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Pentucket Club of Haverhill. Pentucket Club of Haverhill.

Wamsutta Club
of New Bed-
ford.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Wamsutta Club of New Bedford.

Salary of the
justice of the
second district
court of Eastern
Worcester.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Worcester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Report of the
Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill relating to electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ought to pass.

Commissioner
of public rec-
ords of parishes,
towns and
counties.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the report of the commissioner of public records of parishes, towns and counties ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city council of New Bedford for an act to authorize said city to remove the bodies from a certain cemetery in said city and to secure the legal title thereof to the aforesaid city ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no club for social or other purposes shall be incorporated under the general laws of the Commonwealth unless first recommended by the board having power to grant licenses in the town or city where such club is to be located ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. M. Burgess and others that the taking of scallops in the waters of this State may be made free to all citizens of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on part two of the Third Annual Report of the Insurance Commissioner for the year 1887 (taken from the Senate files) ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 74 of chapter 214 of

the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the calling of meetings of insurance companies and the manner of voting thereat by proxy or otherwise; also to amend section 25 of said chapter, relating to the manner of electing directors and the filling of vacancies in boards of directors;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing illegal gaming and the illegal selling of intoxicating liquors by clubs incorporated under the general law; and

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to prohibiting corporations from writing or printing on any envelope or other article containing the wages of its employees any matter except the name of the employee and amount of wages; and

On an order relative to legislation to prevent employers from discharging or discriminating against employees because of belonging to labor organizations;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting corporations from reducing the pay of their employees without first giving such employees fifteen days' notice, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation for the protection of trout brooks and private lands from trespassers, or of such amendment of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1884 as shall extend the provisions thereof to fish as well as to game, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton, was further considered. After debate, the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Greenwood of Ashland was rejected by a vote of 51 to 85, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Newburyport to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal; and

To amend an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language; and

Resolves :

Providing for the purchase of land and for repairs to the buildings on the same at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston was read a second time, and was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 77 to 54.

The Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

The Bill to change the name of the Oakland Garden Association, and to grant certain powers and privileges to said corporation, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the proof of statutes ;

To authorize the Boston Pilot's Relief Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To incorporate the Newton Real Estate Association ;

To change the name of the A. C. Barnes Whip Company ;

To amend chapter 173 of the Acts of the year 1865, in relation to the Board of Overseers of Harvard College ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Bristol County ; and

To provide for the disposition of legacies bequeathed to minors who have no legal guardian ; and the

Resolve providing for the payment of certain bills incurred, in excess of the appropriations therefor, at the Lyman School for Boys ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Plymouth was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 71 to 30, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves :

In favor of Abby P. Choate ; and

In favor of George W. Warren ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent the baiting and shooting of wild fowl in the night time was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Alden of Middleborough, at twenty-nine minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 8, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions Presented.*American Bell
Telephone
Company.

By Mr. Brown of Salem, remonstrance of M. Moriarty and others against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Abolishment of
the jail and
house of cor-
rection of Nan-
tucket.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of the town of Nantucket against the abolishment of the jail and house of correction, and the erection of new buildings for the accommodation of prisoners in Nantucket County. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Severally sent up for concurrence

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Hamilton of New Salem, remonstrance of C. W. Bannon and others against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Papers from the Senate.*State Board of
Arbitration.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of reporting a Resolve providing for printing and distributing additional copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration for the year 1888.

The following order was considered : —

Suffolk Trust
and Investment
Company.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of changing the name of the Suffolk Trust and Investment Company by striking out therefrom the words "and Investment," so that the name of said company shall read "Suffolk Trust Company."

Point of order.

Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the order was in violation of House Rule No. 47. The Speaker declared the point well taken, inasmuch as the desired legislation should be asked for by a petition. The order was ruled out, and notice was sent to the Senate.

A report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the introduction and propagation of exotic birds and mammals for scientific and experimental purposes on Egg Island in the county of Bristol and Great Island in the county of Barnstable, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Protection of exotic birds and mammals in Bristol and Barnstable counties.

Bills :

To incorporate the American Humane Education Society (reported on a petition) ;

American Humane Education Society.

Relating to the harbor master and assistant harbor masters for the harbor of Boston (reported, in part, on the fourth annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston) ; and

Harbor master and assistant harbor masters of Boston.

To provide for the construction and maintenance of a highway and bridge over the tide waters of the Acushnet River, between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (reported on petitions) ;

Bridge over Acushnet River between New Bedford and Fairhaven.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney of the middle district ; and a

Salary of the district attorney of the middle district. Jane Parks.

Resolve in favor of Jane Parks ;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to amend section 15 of chapter 215 of the Public Statutes, in relation to female convicts, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended, so that it read " Bill relative to imposing sentences upon female convicts," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Female convicts.

The House petition of Edward F. Johnson, mayor of the city of Woburn, for legislation to confirm the acts of the city clerk and the city treasurer of the city of Woburn, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

City of Woburn.

A petition of Post 20, G. A. R., of Colrain, for the repeal of chapter 438 of the Acts of the year 1888, referring to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.

Reports of Committees.

Women as justices of the peace.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Daniel L. Milliken and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to hold the office of justice of the peace.

Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Ebenezer Martin and others for legislation relative to a division of lots in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

Drunkenness,—Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the non-committal of persons convicted of the second offence of drunkenness to the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Bonds in cases of appeals from the allowance of a will.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bonds in cases of appeal from the allowance of a will.

Sale of cigarettes to minors.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting or preventing the sale or gift of cigarettes to minors.

"Bucket shops."

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to restraining and declaring illegal and making penal all transactions and dealings in stocks in exchanges, commonly called "bucket shops."

Attorneys-at-law.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no attorney-at-law shall be held for trial in the superior court in any county, who is actually engaged in the trial of a cause in said court in any other county.

Vote on appropriations at town meetings.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings.

Biennial sessions.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to biennial sessions of the Legislature. [Mr. Sanger of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Margaret Ann Pierce.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of Margaret Ann Pierce that she may be made eligible to receive State aid.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Worcester Natural History Society for an amendment of its charter. Worcester Natural History Society.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 6 of chapter 82 of the Public Statutes, relating to records of conveyances of burial lots. Records of conveyances of burial lots.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to establish a board of public works for the city of New Bedford. Board of public works of the city of New Bedford.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court. [Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

By Mr. Pillsbury of Boston, from the committee on Manufactures, on the report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the inspection of gas and gas meters. Inspection of gas and gas meters.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, from the committee on Printing, on orders, a Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the Provincial Laws. [See House No. 214.] Provincial Laws.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the constables of the Roxbury district court. Salary of the constables of the Roxbury district court.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Unionville Evangelical Society. Unionville Evangelical Society.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Slocum of Newton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others that a portion of the town of Watertown be annexed to the city of Newton. After debate, the motion to reconsider was rejected by a vote of 55 to 78. Watertown,—Newton.

Taken from the Table.

Eight hours a
day's work.

On motions of Mr. Leach of Palmer, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Cremation of
garbage.

On motions of Mr. Miller of Needham, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the cremation of garbage and other substances deleterious to the public health, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the West Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Fitchburg ;

In addition to an Act relative to the location in which a savings bank or institution for savings may transact its principal business ;

Relating to the admission of dying declarations as evidence in certain cases ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to pay certain engineers and volunteer firemen ;

Concerning the employment of clerks and other assistance in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

To provide for the appointment of a superintendent of streets in towns ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company on Union Street in said city ;

To provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To change the name of the Newburyport Gas Company ;

Authorizing the transfer of the property of the Female Auxiliary Bible Society of Boston and Vicinity, and the dissolution of the corporation ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for an agent to care for the property acquired by the Commonwealth, for the better accommodation of the State government, under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888 ;

Resolves passed.

In favor of Catherine B. Burroughs ;

In favor of Mary A. S. Batterman ;

In favor of Maria Gragg ;

Providing for the payment of certain bills incurred by William Cogswell, medical examiner for the fourth Essex district ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Mary K. Johnson ;

(Which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the erection and maintenance of the national flag on all public school buildings ;

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the South Berkshire Sportsman's Club and others for legislation providing a penalty for taking, without immediately returning to the water from which they are caught, trout less than six inches in length, and for having in possession trout less than that length ;

On the petition of John Maher and others for such legislation as will allow the taking and killing of woodcock from September 15 to January 1, and quail and partridge from October 1 to January 1 ;

On the petitions of W. H. Whitcomb and others for legislation to make lawful the taking and killing of woodcock and partridge from September 15 to December 15, and quail from October 1 to December 15 ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the time of taking and killing quail ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the increase of insanity and the care of the insane ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to defining what is meant by pauper inmates in State charitable institutions and lunatic hospitals ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John E. Heslan and others for legislation giving to wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston each two representatives in the General Court, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Charles Lawrence and others for legislation respecting the inspection of apples, was, on motion of Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills :

To amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the Public Statutes, relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of the deceased wife or husband ;

To authorize the Boston Art Club to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To incorporate the Pentucket Club of Haverhill ;

To change the name of the Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company ;

To incorporate the Dartmouth Club of New Bedford ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Worcester ;

To incorporate the Wamsutta Club of New Bedford ;

Relating to electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

To authorize the Unitarian Sunday School Society to hold meetings in any part of the United States, and to confirm certain proceedings of said corporation ;

To provide for the holding of weekly sessions of the district court of Hampshire in the town of Ware ; and

Relating to the discharge of inmates of the State Industrial and Reform Schools ; and the

Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the report of the commissioner of public records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prohibit the employment of aliens by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein was read a second time, and was rejected by a vote of 44 to 46.

Bills :

Concerning joint tenancy and tenancy in common of real and personal estate ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language ; and

To establish the salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the purchase of land, and for repairs to the buildings on the same, at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to change the name of the Oakland Garden Association, and to grant certain powers and privileges to said corporation, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Milton of Waltham moved to amend, in line 11, by inserting after the word " unless " the words " a certificate of a veterinary surgeon is filed with the clerk of the city or town that." The amendment was adopted ; and the bill was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage were further considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments adopted by that branch, and printed in Senate No. 99. The House concurred in the amendment at A by a vote of 87 to 30, and in the amendment at B. The amendment at C was considered. Mr. Harrington of Hull moved to strike out the words, "Such ballots shall be distributed to the voters at each polling place by two distributors, one of whom shall be publicly known to be in favor of, and the other opposed to, the proposed amendment, to be appointed by the clerk of the city or town, and their compensation to be paid by the city or town." After debate, the previous question was ordered on the amendment at C, on motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, and the amendment moved by Mr. Harrington to the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 71 to 76. The House then concurred in the amendment at C. The amendment at D was considered. After debate, the previous question on this amendment was ordered, on motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, and the House non-concurred in the amendment, by a vote of 44 to 98. The Resolves were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, at four minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 11, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Rogers of West Newbury, petition of the town of West Newbury in aid of the petition of the mayor of Salem for the repeal of the law requiring county commissioners to establish truant schools, when requested to do so by three or more towns. Referred to the committee on Education. Truant schools.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, petition of Theodore F. Wright for payment to the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater of money due them under chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the employment of superintendents of schools. Referred to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Walpole and Bridgewater.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, remonstrance of W. S. Dickson and others of Salem against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for increase of its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. The American Bell Telephone Company.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of Charles F. Dunham and 197 others for an act of incorporation as the "Proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks" for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a herring or alewife and other fishery in Edgartown. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, petition of Theodore P. Perkins and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land. Referred to the committee on Taxation. Taxation of land.

Mary Goodnow. By Mr. Wood of Northborough, petition of Samuel Wood for legislation to authorize the town of Northborough to erect a monument to the memory of Mary Goodnow, who was killed by the Indians August 18, 1707. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Holman of Clinton. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Bowman of Boston, remonstrance of Sidney F. Squires and others; by Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, remonstrance of Nathaniel W. Perry and others; by Mr. Porter of Brockton, remonstrance of A. W. Gardiner and others; by Mr. Brewer of Boston, remonstrance of John F. Terrell and others; and by Mr. Duggan of Boston, remonstrance of J. S. Ridlow and others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Alewives,—
Bourne.**

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of the town of Bourne for authority to sell the right to take alewives from Herring River in said town. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Free scholarships in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to free scholarships in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ;

Game wardens,—game and song birds.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Hubbard and others that towns may be authorized to choose game wardens to enforce the laws relative to game and song birds ;

Frank E. Clark,—elevated railroad in Boston.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank E. Clark for permission to erect an elevated railroad, one-half mile in length, in Boston, for exhibition and other purposes ; and

Overcrowding of horse-cars.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation prohibiting the overcrowding of horse-cars ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Dedham Public Library.

To authorize the transfer of the Dedham Public Library to the town of Dedham ;

In addition to an act for supplying the town of Pittsfield with pure water ; Pittsfield water supply.

To authorize the town of Brookline to lay and maintain a common sewer in Boston and Newton ; and Brookline,—common sewer in Boston and Newton.

To incorporate the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board ; Real estate exchange and auction board.

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ; and a Salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for Bristol County.

Resolve in favor of Patrick M. Drummey ;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Patrick M. Drummey.

The House petition of George A. Shepard, that certain proceedings of the town of Sandisfield in relation to the manner of collecting the taxes assessed in 1888 may be confirmed and made valid, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Town of Sandisfield.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : — Oleomargarine.

Petition of William A. Read and others for legislation to prevent the coloring of oleomargarine in imitation of butter. To the committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of Merritt & Co. and others against the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for authority to increase its capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. American Bell Telephone Company.

Petition of Post 45, G. A. R., for the repeal of legislation referring to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. To the committee on Military Affairs. Aid for soldiers and sailors.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the provisions of chapter 180 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the payment of witness fees, shall not apply in the county of Suffolk. Payment of witness fees in Suffolk County.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law concerning juvenile offenders, that the costs Juvenile offenders.

in cases against such offenders shall be paid by the city or town in which an offence by such juvenile is committed.

Lynn,—exemption from limitation of the municipal debt and rate of taxation.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lynn for legislation exempting the city of Lynn from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limitation of the municipal debt of and rate of taxation in cities.

Voting at caucuses.

By Mr. Tripp of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation regulating voting at caucuses or public meetings of qualified voters.

Sewerage in towns.

By Mr. Dearing of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring towns with more than four thousand inhabitants to adopt some system of sewerage.

Non-vaccination of children.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the exclusion of any child from school for non-vaccination shall not exempt any person having the control of such a child from the penalty imposed in section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appeals from probate courts.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 290 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to appeals from probate courts.

Executors and guardians.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to proof of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors, guardians and others.

City of Brockton.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limit of the municipal debt of and rate of taxation in cities.

City of Worcester.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to exempt the city of Worcester from the provisions of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the limit of municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to authorize Willis T. Emery, Orsamus Nute and Henry O. Nute to drive piles in Charles River.

Willis T. Emery, Orsamus Nute and Henry O. Nute.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Mary Burns. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Mary Burns.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Holman of Clinton, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Vote on appropriations at town meetings.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Wardwell moved to lay the resolve on the table, which motion, after debate, was rejected, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

Province laws.

On motions of Mr. Sanger of Boston, the report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to biennial sessions of the Legislature, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Biennial sessions.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston, was taken from the table. Pending the question on its acceptance, Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the

Assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of Boston.

salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston," which was read, and, after debate, was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston was taken from the table and was ordered to a third reading.

Reconsideration.

Employment of aliens by the Commonwealth.

Mr. Leach of Palmer moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to prohibit the employment of aliens by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein. After debate, the motion prevailed, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 74 to 37.

License fee for spayed dogs.

Mr. Brown of North Adams moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs. The motion prevailed, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Prohibitory amendment.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, concurred in the Senate amendments at A and B to the Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage.

The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on concurring with the Senate in the amendments, Mr. Turner moved certain amendments, which were adopted, and the House concurred in the amendments with the amendments, and the resolves were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Daniel L. Milliken and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to hold the office of justice of the peace ; and

On the petition of Ebenezer Martin and others for legislation relative to a division of lots in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the non-committal of persons convicted of the second offence of drunkenness to the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

On an order relative to bonds in cases of appeal from the allowance of a will ;

On an order relative to restraining and declaring illegal the making penal all transactions and dealings in stocks in exchanges, commonly called bucket-shops ;

On an order relative to limiting or preventing the sale or gift of cigarettes to minors ; and

On an order relative to providing that no attorney-at-law shall be held for trial in the superior court in any county who is actually engaged in the trial of a cause in said court in any other county ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Worcester Natural History Society ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at her own request, on the petition of Margaret Ann Pierce that she may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to protecting the introduction and propagation of exotic birds and mammals for scientific and experimental purposes on Egg Island in the county of Bristol and Great Island in the county of Barnstable, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish a board of public works for the city of New Bedford ;

To change the name of the Unionville Evangelical Society ;

To amend section 6 of chapter 82 of the Public Statutes, relating to records of conveyances of burial lots ;

To establish the salary of the constables of the Roxbury district court ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the inspection of gas and gas meters ;
nd

To incorporate the American Humane Education Society; and the

Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the harbor master and assistant harbor masters for the harbor of Boston was read a second time and considered. Mr. Leary of Boston moved to amend in line 2 of section 4 by striking out the word "passage" and inserting in place thereof the words "acceptance by the city council of Boston." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the Public Statutes, relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband;

To authorize the Boston Art Club to hold additional real and personal estate;

To incorporate the Pentucket Club of Haverhill;

To change the name of the Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company;

To incorporate the Dartmouth Club of New Bedford;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Worcester; and

To incorporate the Wamsutta Club of New Bedford;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor;

To authorize the Unitarian Sunday School Society to hold meetings in any part of the United States, and to confirm certain proceedings of said corporation;

To provide for the holding of weekly sessions of the district court of Hampshire in the town of Ware; and

Relating to the discharge of inmates of the State Industrial and Reform Schools;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage dis-

posal was read a third time and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by inserting in line 8 of section 8 after the word "of" the words "the whole or any part of;" also in line 9 of section 8 by striking out the words "said contract" and inserting in place thereof the words "all such contracts." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of a highway and bridge over the tide waters of the Acushnet River, between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven, was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Mendall of Acushnet moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday, March 20. After debate, on motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, the previous question was ordered, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

At fifteen minutes before four o'clock, on motion of Mr. Gillespie of Boston, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 12, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Privileges of the Floor of the House.

Privileges of
the floor.

Mr. Bicknell of Boston moved that, during the afternoon session, ladies be admitted to the unoccupied seats in the House. The motion was lost, by a vote of 40 to 99.

Ibid.

Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to place chairs in the aisles on the floor of the House for the accommodation of ladies who are not able to find places in the gallery during the afternoon session. The motion was lost, by a vote of 63 to 65.

Petitions Presented.

Cary Library.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, petitions of the town of Lexington; and Hammond Reed and others, — severally, that section 4 of chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the Cary Library, be so amended as to give the citizens of Lexington the choice of a certain number of trustees of said library.

Severally referred to the committee on Education, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Abolition of the
police court of
Lee and the
establishment
of a district
court.

Establishment
of a district
court in place
of the police
court of Lee.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of Norman Strickland and 43 others for the abolition of the police court of Lee and the establishment of a district court.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of Thomas Post and 19 others against the establishment of a district court in place of the police court of Lee, which shall include the town of Lenox.

Severally referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, remonstrance of M. H. Abbott and others; by Mr. Berry of Salem, remonstrance of W. C. Packard and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lynn, remonstrance of Harnden & Blanchard and others; and by Mr.

Macfarlane of Lynn, remonstrance of W. J. Gleason and others, — severally, against the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for increase of its capital stock.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, petition of Post 48, G. A. R., of Ayer; and by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, petition of Post 4, G. A. R., of Melrose, — severally, for the repealing of laws in relation to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of George F. Day and others, members of the Uxbridge Water Company, for an amendment of the charter of said company. Uxbridge Water Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, petition of Judith Winsor Smith and others; and by Mr. Means of Boston, petition of Mrs. A. L. Burroughs and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections and affairs, including the question of granting liquor licenses. Woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, remonstrance of E. B. Lynde and 143 other legal voters of the town of West Brookfield, and S. S. Dennis and 75 other voters of the town of Hardwick, against the establishment of a district court for Western Worcester. District court for Western Worcester.

By Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury, remonstrance of Charles F. Peel and others; by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, remonstrance of George W. Dresser and others; by Mr. Brooks of Hanover, remonstrance of William R. Washburne and others; and by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, remonstrance of Dr. T. W. Fossett and 150 others, — severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine. Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Atherton of Saugus, —
Committee on Prisons. *Ordered*, That the committee on Prisons be granted an extension of time, in which to report upon matters referred to them.
 Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :
Savings banks. Prohibiting officers of savings banks from borrowing the funds of, or acting as surety for money borrowed from, such institutions ; and
Co-operative banks. Relating to co-operative banks ;
 Severally reported in part on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.
State Normal School at Salem. A Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Salem (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

Sessions of the probate court for the county of Worcester. By Mr. Carroll of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to holding additional sessions of the probate court for the county of Worcester.
John M. Berry, —State, city and town elections. By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for certain legislation concerning State, city and town elections.
Insurance companies. By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to insurance, so that companies authorized to insure against bodily injury and death by accident may also insure against the liability of employers for injuries to persons in their employ.
Drunkenness in public places. By Mr. Howe of Hubbardston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. C. Perkins for the punishment of drunkenness in public places.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, House of correction and jail at Cambridge.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the limits of the house of correction and jail at Cambridge, and a petition relative to the subject.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Michael J. Carroll and others for an investigation of certain acts of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Company. Boston and Lowell Railroad Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old graveyard situate in the town of South Hadley, and for other purposes. Removal of remains from the old graveyard in South Hadley.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund and for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund. Commonwealth's flats improvement fund and the prison and hospital loan sinking fund.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Frothingham Buildings. Frothingham Buildings.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill concerning the Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers. Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to increase its capital stock. Old Colony Railroad Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ought to pass. Assistant clerk for the police court of Lowell.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Mary Burns ought to pass. Mary Burns.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Patrick M. Drummey ought to pass. Patrick M. Drummey.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Jane Parks ought to pass. Jane Parks.

Accidents on
street railways.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill in relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve providing for an additional building at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

James Hole-
house.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of James Holehouse.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Provincial
Laws.

Mr. Morison of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday ordered to a third reading the Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the Provincial Laws. After debate, the motion to reconsider was laid upon the table, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester.

Discharged from the Orders.

Inspection of
apples.

On motions of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Charles Lawrence and others for legislation respecting the inspection of apples, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Juvenile
offenders.

On motions of Mr. Carroll of Worcester, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law concerning juvenile offenders that the costs in cases against such offenders shall be paid by the city or town in which an offence by such juvenile is committed, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Biennial elec-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, the Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members

of the General Court were discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. They were read a third time, and, pending the question on agreeing to the Resolves and articles of amendment, they were, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Sagamore Cemetery Association ; Bills enacted.

To incorporate the City Hospital in the city of Quincy ;

Enabling towns to authorize boards of health to enforce regulations concerning house drainage ;

To authorize the proprietors of the locks and canals on Merrimack River to discontinue a part of the lower free landing in the city of Lowell ;

For the further protection, preservation and propagation of lobsters ;

To amend chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to a grant of money by the Congress of the United States for the support of agricultural experiments within the Commonwealth ;

Relating to the election, powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns ; and

To annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To enlarge the power of the President and Fellows of Harvard College to hold taxable real estate ; and

To change the name of the Oakland Garden Association, and to grant certain powers and privileges to said corporation ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Augustus A. Lewis ;

In favor of John Flanagan ; and

In favor of Samuel Hillman ;

(Which originated in the House) ;

In favor of Abby P. Choate ;

Relative to printing two thousand extra copies of the

Resolves
passed.

report of the State Board of Health on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys; and

In favor of George W. Warren;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote in all town and municipal elections, for all town and city officers, in such city or town, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. Subsequently, Mr. Blume of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to close debate at half-past four o'clock, which motion was lost. On the question of ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gracey of Salem; and, the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 78 yeas to 127 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Cutler, Nahum S.
Alden, Thomas	Cutting, George W.
Allen, Montessor T.	Dame, Luther
Atherton, Horace H.	Davis, Epes
Ayres, George	Davis, Joshua H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Dearing, T. Haven
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Barker, Thomas E.	Douglas, William S.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Gilman, Gorham D.
Bennett, John O.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Gould, John B.
Bond, Nelson F.	Gracey, Samuel L.
Bonney, J. Dean	Grant, Charles, Jr.
Bottum, John B.	Greenwood, Abner
Brewster, Charles K.	Hale, William M.
Brooks, Horace S.	Harrington, Z. Taylor
Brooks, William H.	Hayes, Elihu B.
Carpenter, George N.	Hildreth, John
Church, Moses D.	Hixon, William S.
Conant, Nelson B.	Holder, Langdon H.
Conwell, David	Howe, Herbert W.

Messrs.Howland, Willard

Hutchinson, John F.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Leach, William W.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Mendall, Noah F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Morse, I. Porter
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.

Messrs.Packard, John B.

Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Riley, Thomas
 Rogers, George C.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Smith, Henry O.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.

NATS.

Messrs.Albree, John

Alden, Jared F.
 Allen, Richard B.
 Atherton, Ralph L.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Barry, Richard M.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bigelow, Alden M.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Bliss, George
 Blodgett, Percival
 Blume, Andreas
 Bowman, Robert H.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, Orland J.
 Burgess, John H.
 Burke, James J.
 Call, Charles A.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Carter, Charles E.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Connell, Thomas H.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crane, Robert B.

Messrs.Cronin, James M.

Crowley, John H.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Dallinger, Frank W.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Foote, Charles N.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gillespie, John F.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Heslan, John E.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howard, John F.
 Howes, Charles
 Johnson, Henry H.

Messrs. Keliher, Thomas J.	Messrs. Pillsbury, Omer
Kemp, Horace G.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Plaisted, John W.
Kimball, Henry A.	Porter, Charles F.
Kimball, John W.	Potter, Lurin J.
Lally, James, Jr.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Lane, Hiram B.	Preble, William H.
Leary, Edward J.	Richmond, Albert E.
Lincoln, James D.	Rowell, William R.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Russell, Stillman
Martin, James P.	Sanger, Chester F.
McCooley, Thomas	Sanger, George P., Jr.
McDonald, Peter J.	Sherman, Everett F.
McDonough, John J.	Slocum, George W.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Snow, Thomas
McLaughlin, Daniel	Sohier, William D.
McNary, William S.	Spring, Charles E.
Merrill, John F.	Stafford, John H.
Monahan, William H.	Stanley, Stephen
Moore, Michael J.	Stearns, George C.
Morison, Frank	Stover, Martin L.
Murphy, William H.	Sullivan, Edward
Newhall, Albert H.	Sullivan, John H.
Nichols, Edward M.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Nichols, William H.	Swallow, George N.
Nolan, Joseph	Taft, Edgar S.
Northup, Stephen L.	Thayer, Rufus A.
O'Mealey, John W.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Paige, Frank E.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Parks, Oren B.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Patridge, Joseph A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Perkins, George A.	Wilcox, Charles M.
Perry, Charles	Worth, Ira A.
Pierce, John N.	Wyckoff, William A.
Pike, Baxter P.	

YEAS, 78 ; NAYS, 127.

On this question, Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Henry of Fall River, Raymond of Somerville, Cook of Weymouth, Mellen of Worcester, Brown of Salem, Keane of Holyoke, Ferren of Stoneham, Witt of Boston, Prevaux of Amesbury, McEttrick of Boston and Crowell of Dennis, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Eldredge of Chicopee, Gilman of North Andover, Ripley of Granville, Pierce of Watertown, Sprout of Worcester, Lit-

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tlefield of Peabody, O'Neil of Boston, Shaw of Newburyport, Berry of Salem, Purrington of Mattapoisett, Quinn of Boston and Glasgow of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, at seven minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 13, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

Truant schools. By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of the town of Andover in aid of the petition of the city of Salem and others for the repeal of section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, relating to truant schools.

Manual training schools. By Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, petition of Thomas Hibbard and others for the establishment of manual training schools in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

South Beach in the town of Edgartown. By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, remonstrance of Samuel Osborne, Jr., and 213 others, against the repeal of chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1863, entitled, "An Act to protect the South Beach in the town of Edgartown." Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Tour-workers in paper mills. By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of J. H. Buckley and others for less hours of labor for tour-workers in paper mills.

Hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age. By the same gentleman, petition of Joseph E. Power and others for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen years of age at fifty-four per week.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

American Bell Telephone Company. By Mr. Holder of Lynn, remonstrance of Harmon Hall and others; by Mr. Gracey of Salem, remonstrance of C. W. Emerson and others; by Mr. Brown of Salem, remonstrance of C. Harrington & Co. and others; by Mr. Berry of Salem, remonstrance of Matthew Robson and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lynn, remonstrance of D. H. Perkins and others; and by Mr. Kimball of Lynn, remonstrance of George C. Herbert and others, — severally,

against the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for an increase of capital stock.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Joseph E. Power and others for legislation to prohibit the use of steam-power machinery in penal institutions for manufacturing and mechanical purposes. Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Steam-power machinery in penal institutions.

By Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, remonstrances of the Merrick Thread Company and others; and James E. Delaney and others,—severally, against the petition for a bridge between Holyoke and Willimansett.

Bridge between Holyoke and Willimansett.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, petition of the city of Springfield for authority to construct an additional water main, and to issue bonds to raise money required therefor.

Springfield,—water supply.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of Luther Wait and another for authority to take water from Hood's Pond in the town of Ipswich, for fire, mechanical and domestic purposes.

Ipswich,—water supply.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule in each case, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, remonstrance of L. B. Belknap and others; and by Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, remonstrance of Isaac H. Burdett and others,—severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, petition of the Naturalization Club of Southbridge, relative to the amendment of naturalization laws.

Amendment of naturalization laws.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John McClellan and others for legislation to prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, for which double compensation shall be allowed.

Labor on the Lord's day.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, petition of the selectmen of the town of Greenfield for legislation to confirm the

Greenfield.

proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of Greenfield. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Eight hours a day's work.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of William P. Clarke and others for such legislation as will fix the hours of labor for State, city and town employees at eight per day.

Allen labor.

By the same gentleman, petition of John McClellan and others for such legislation as will prohibit the employment of alien labor on public works, either State, county or municipal.

Bridge between Holyoke and South Hadley.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, remonstrance of The Valley Paper Company and others against the passage of the Bill for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Severally placed on file.

Common schools.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of George W. Carnes and others for a memorial to Congress for the protection of the common schools. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Orders.

Committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Patridge of Upton, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit Buffalo, N. Y., in furtherance of the discharge of its duties.

Joint committees, — extension of time for making reports.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —
Ordered, That joint committees be granted until March 27 to report on all matters before them.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

House committees, — extension of time for making reports.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —
Ordered, That House committees be granted until March 27 to report on all matters before them.

Papers from the Senate.

Sons of Veterans, — parading with arms.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. Stone of Chelsea that the Sons of Veterans may be permitted to parade in public with arms (and a petition in aid thereof), accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Howland

of Chelsea, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

A Bill to change the name of the Warren Street Chapel (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Warren Street Chapel.

A Bill to provide for the election of town auditors by ballot, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Election of auditors in towns.

Resolves :

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (reported on a petition) ; and

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the Commissioners on Grade Crossings (reported on an order) ;

Commissioners on Grade Crossings.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House petition of the town of Bourne, for authority to sell the right to take alewives from Herring River in said town, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Alewives in the town of Bourne.

A petition of the Suffolk Trust and Investment Company of Boston for a change of name was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Suffolk Trust and Investment Company.

A petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, for legislation authorizing said city to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, a certain parcel of land adjoining the site of the new public library, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boston, city of, — new public library.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. Doble and others for the establishment of a police court in Quincy.

Police court in Quincy.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prohibit corporations organized under the laws

Foreign gas corporations.

of other States for the manufacture, sale and distribution of gas for illuminating and other purposes, from doing business in this Commonwealth, without a special Act of the Legislature.

Removal of
children from
hospitals.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Anne S. Robbins and others for legislation authorizing superintendents of incorporated hospitals to retain in their custody all children under fifteen years of age, when, in the opinion of two competent physicians, the removal of said children would result in death or permanent or serious injury to the patients.

Report of the
State House
Commission.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, from the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Transfer of
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the fourth annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston as relates to the transfer of liquor licenses, a Bill to provide for the transfer of liquor licenses from one locality to another in a city or town.

Fitchburg.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its water indebtedness.

Board of alder-
men of the city
of Waltham.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to change the method of electing the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham. [Messrs. Hathorne and Hunt, of the Senate, and Mr. Leary of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Preservation of
the public
health.

By Mr. Sprout of Worcester, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal
School at
Salem.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Salem ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Resolve **Mary Burns.** in favor of Mary Burns was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the rules were further suspended, and the resolve was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motions of Mr. Preble of Boston, the report of the **Game wardens.** committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Hubbard and others that towns may be authorized to choose game wardens to enforce the laws relative to game and song birds, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, postponed for consideration until Tuesday, March 19, to be placed first in the orders of the day, the Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court. The motion prevailed. The question recurring on postponement, Mr. Pinkerton moved that the resolves be postponed for consideration until Wednesday, March 20, to be placed first in the orders of the day. The motion prevailed. **Biennial elections.**

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Providing for printing additional copies of the report **Bills enacted.** of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College;
 To fix the penalties for violations of the liquor laws;
 To declare the Union Evangelical Religious Society of Readville a religious corporation, and to ratify and confirm the organization and proceedings thereof;
 Relative to imposing sentences upon female convicts;

To change the name of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Natick ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

The engrossed Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was put upon its final passage. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to strike out the enacting clause. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge. On the main question, on passing the bill to be enacted, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McEttrick of Boston ; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 141 yeas to 57 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Clemence, George L.
Alden, Thomas	Connell, Thomas H.
Atherton, Horace H.	Conwell, David
Atherton, Ralph L.	Coveney, John W.
Ayres, George	Crane, Robert B.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Cronin, James M.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Curtis, Francis C.
Barker, Thomas E.	Cutting, George W.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Dallinger, Frank W.
Beck, Walter P.	Dame, Luther
Bennett, Charles H.	Davis, Joshua H.
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Desmond, Jeremiah
Bixby, Charles C.	Dewey, Henry S.
Bliss, George	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Blume, Andreas	Dubuque, Hugo A.
Bond, Nelson F.	Eddy, Lyman R.
Bottum, John B.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bowman, Robert H.	Footte, Charles N.
Brady, Peter J.	Fottler, Jacob
Brewer, Edward W.	Frost, Henry
Brewster, Charles K.	Gardiner, Charles B.
Brooks, A. Olin	Giddings, Theodore
Brooks, Horace S.	Gillespie, John F.
Brooks, William H.	Gilman, Gorham D.
Brown, Edward F.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Burke, James J.	Glasgow, Edward B.
Call, Charles A.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Gould, John B.
Carter, Charles E.	Greenwood, Abner
Church, Moses D.	Hale, William M.

Messrs. Hamilton, Henry D.	Messrs. Pillsbury, Omer
Hanson, Charles H.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Harrington, Z. Taylor	Plaisted, John W.
Harvey, James W.	Porter, Charles F.
Henry, Robert	Potter, Lurin J.
Hildreth, John	Prevaux, John J.
Holman, Frank E.	Purrington, Ellis B.
Howe, Herbert W.	Putnam, Charles C.
Howes, Charles	Raymond, Francis H.
Howland, Willard	Reed, George A.
Hutchinson, John F.	Richmond, Albert E.
Johnson, Henry H.	Riley, Thomas
Kemp, Horace G.	Ripley, John B.
Kempton, David B.	Rowell, William R.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Russell, Stillman
Kimball, Henry A.	Sanger, Chester F.
Kimball, John W.	Shaw, Edward P.
Lane, Hiram B.	Shepard, George A.
Lattimore, Andrew B.	Slocum, George W.
Leach, William W.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Smalley, Anthony
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Sohier, William D.
Martin, James P.	Spring, Charles E.
McCooey, Thomas	Sprout, William B.
McDonald, Peter J.	Stafford, John H.
McDonough, John H.	Stearns, George C.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Stover, Martin L.
McNary, William S.	Sullivan, Edward
Mead, Albert	Sullivan, John H.
Means, Robert F.	Taft, Edgar S.
Merrill, John F.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Morison, Frank	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Newhall, Albert H.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Nolan, Joseph	Wales, Abijah T.
Norcross, J. Henry	Wilcox, Charles M.
Oakman, Henry P.	Witt, Charles T.
Packard, John B.	Wood, Samuel
Paige, Frank E.	Woodward, Charles F.
Parks, Oren B.	Wyckoff, William A.
Perkins, George A.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Pierce, John N.	

NATS.

Messrs. Albree, John	Messrs. Blodgett, Percival
Allen, Richard B.	Bonney, J. Dean
Atwood, Harrison H.	Burgess, John H.
Barry, Richard M.	Carroll, Peter T.
Bennett, John O.	Clayton, Horace E.
Berry, Francis T.	Conant, Nelson B.

Messrs. Cook, Louis A.

Crowley, John H.
 Cutler, Nahum S.
 Davis, Epes
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Edwards, John
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Harris, Robert O.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Heslan, John E.
 Hixon, William S.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Howard, John F.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lincoln, James D.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Macfarlane, John

Messrs. McCall, Samuel W.

McDonough, John J.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Nichols, William H.
 Northup, Stephen L.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Preble, William H.
 Richards, James H.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Snow, Thomas
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Worth, Ira A.

Yeas, 141 ; nays, 57.

On this question, Messrs. Cheney of Worcester, Alden of Middleborough and O'Mealey of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Milton of Waltham, Sanger of Boston and Quinn of Boston.

The bill was signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order providing that the provisions of chapter 180 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the payment of witness fees, shall not apply in the county of Suffolk ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to holding additional sessions of the probate court for the county of Worcester ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the

petition of the mayor of Lynn for legislation exempting the city of Lynn from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limitation of the municipal debt of and rate of taxation in cities ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation regulating voting at caucuses or public meetings of qualified voters ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for certain legislation concerning State, city and town elections ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to insurance so that companies authorized to insure against bodily injury and death by accident may also insure against the liability of employers for injuries to persons in their employ ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. C. Perkins for the punishment of drunkenness in public places ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the limits of the house of correction and jail at Cambridge, and petition relative to the same ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring towns with more than 4,000 inhabitants to adopt some system of sewerage ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Michael J. Carroll and others for an investigation of certain acts of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Company ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to free scholarships in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank E. Clark for permission to erect an elevated railroad, one-half mile in length, in Boston, for exhibition and other purposes ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation prohibiting the overcrowding of horse-cars ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 290 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to appeals from probate courts ;

In relation to proof of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors, guardians and others ;

To extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limit of the municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities.

To authorize Willis T. Emery, Orasmus Nute and Henry O. Nute to drive piles in Charles River ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the transfer of the Dedham Public Library to the town of Dedham ;

To authorize the town of Brookline to lay and maintain a common sewer in Boston and Newton ;

To incorporate the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board ;

In addition to an Act for supplying the town of Pittsfield with pure water ;

To provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old graveyard, situate in the town of South Hadley, and for other purposes ;

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund and for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund ;

Concerning the Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers ;

To incorporate the Frothingham Buildings ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ; and

In relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Jane Parks ; and

In favor of Patrick M. Drummey ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To establish a board of public works for the city of New Bedford;

To change the name of the Unionville Evangelical Society;

To amend section 6 of chapter 82 of the Public Statutes, relating to records of conveyances of burial lots;

To establish the salary of the constables of the Roxbury district court; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the inspection of gas and gas meters;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To incorporate the American Humane Education Society; and

Relating to the harbor master and assistant harbor masters for the harbor of Boston;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bottum of Northampton moved to amend by striking out, in section 1, lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, the words "the southerly side thereof, and to take and appropriate any land adjoining the location as now established which shall be, in their judgment, required therefor," and inserting in place thereof the words "both ends thereof alike." Also to strike out sections 2 and 3. After debate, the amendments were adopted, the first one by a vote of 75 to 55, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, at six minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 14, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, remonstrance of Frank H. Bennett and others; by Mr. Lovell of Boston, remonstrance of John C. Peterson and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Boston, remonstrance of Charles E. Watkins and others; and by Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, remonstrance of George Diman and others,—severally, against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Returns and
statistics of
fires.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 199 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to returns and statistics of fire, in order that it may provide for the holding of a judicial inquiry, in case either the chief engineer or chairman of the board of selectmen deem that the public good will be benefited by said judicial inquiry, and to relieve cities and towns of the expense thereof.

The following order, offered by Mr. Raymond of Somerville, was laid over, at the request of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline:—

Accident insur-
ance companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending section 80 of chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887 as to allow accident insurance companies doing business in this State to do employers' liability insurance, provided such companies shall increase their capital stock to a proper amount.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports :**

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the president and secretary of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation providing for the establishment of boards of commissioners of electric subways, for the purpose of converting the overhead system of electrical wires to an underground system, and the order relative to further legislation requiring such provisions and safeguards as shall better protect life and property from the danger of overhead electric wires in cities, and recommending that the same be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of the committees on Mercantile Affairs and on Cities ; and

Board of commissioners of electric subways.

Overhead electric wires.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to such legislation as shall compel electric wires to be placed underground, and the order relative to the better protection of life and property by placing electric wires underground in cities, and recommending that the same be referred to a joint special committee, consisting of the committees on Mercantile Affairs and on Cities ;

Underground wires.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the appointment of an officer for the oversight of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bridges.

A Bill relative to the official signatures of assistant clerks of courts (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill relating to assistant clerks of courts "), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Official signatures of assistant clerks of courts.

A remonstrance of B. D. Hill and others of Salem, against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for increase of capital, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

American Bell Telephone Company

Reports of Committees.

Actions by or
against the city
of Boston.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that actions by and against the city of Boston shall be brought either in Suffolk County or Middlesex County.

Holyoke.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Holyoke for a further extension of the exemption of the city of Holyoke from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, limiting the municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning.

City and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hugh Montgomery and others for the appointment of city and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes, and petitions relative to the same subject.

Vaccination laws.

By Mr. Riley of Adams, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus K. Noyes, M.D., and others, for the repeal, modification or amendment of the vaccination laws.

Signal lights at railroad grade crossings.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroads to display lights at all grade crossings where flagmen are stationed when trains pass after nightfall.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Discrimination in freight rates.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of John F. Hemming for the repeal of chapter 225 of the Acts of the year 1882, relative to preventing discrimination in freight rates by railroad corporations.

T. I. Smith and others,—New York and New England Railroad.

By Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, at the request

of the petitioners, on the petition of T. I. Smith and others for authority to construct and operate a railroad from some point on the New York and New England Railroad in North Attleborough through the towns of North Attleborough, Wrentham, Norfolk and Walpole.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order and a petition, a Bill to amend sections 54 and 63 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, in relation to officers in attendance upon the municipal courts of the city of Boston.

Officers in attendance upon the municipal courts of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings.

Bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the National Home Building Company.

National Home Building Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Resolve in favor of James Holehouse. Read and accepted, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

James Holehouse.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) to authorize the county commissioners for the county of Essex to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Records and plans in the registry of deeds of the southern district of Essex.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be enacted the Bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock. After debate, the motion to reconsider was lost.

Taken from the Table.

Adjutant-General.

On motions of Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, the annual report of the Adjutant-General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct a street or way through the Snell burial ground ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of Eastern Hampden ;

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem ;

To authorize the Homœopathic Medical Dispensary to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the assessment of taxes ;

Relating to buildings in the public parks of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Bradford Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute ;

To change the name of the First Parish in North Bridgewater ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to lay out and construct streets or ways through the Reed or Brightman burial ground ;

To incorporate the Wakefield Industrial School Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to electrotyping the reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Relating to the discharge of inmates of the State Industrial and Reform Schools ;

To provide for the holding of weekly sessions of the district court of Hampshire in the town of Ware ;

To authorize the Unitarian Sunday School Society to hold meetings in any part of the United States, and to confirm certain proceedings of said corporation ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve, in favor of David J. Lantz Resolve passed.
(which originated in the House), was passed, signed and
sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Leach of Palmer, the report of the Hours of labor,
— eight hours a
day.
committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition
of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law
fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town
employees at eight hours per day, was discharged from
the orders of the day and was postponed for further con-
sideration until Thursday, March 21, to be placed first in
the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the Bill to Old Colony
Railroad Com-
pany.
authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to increase
its capital stock was discharged from the orders of the
day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a
second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a
third reading, it was, on further motion of the same
gentleman, postponed for further consideration until
Tuesday, March 26, to be placed first in the orders of the
day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, the Bill in Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
South Hadley.
addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge
across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South
Hadley was discharged from the orders of the day, under
a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and,
pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on
further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for
further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed
first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Resolve Provincial
laws.
providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the
provincial laws was discharged from the orders of the
day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third
time, and considered. After debate, the resolve was
laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers.

On motion of Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, at seven
minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 15, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. William H. Brooks of Hanover, a member of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Henry J. Coolidge.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, a Resolve in favor of Henry J. Coolidge. Read and referred to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Damage by dogs.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, petition of Ransom F. McCrilles and others for such legislation as will protect persons and property from damage by dogs. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Milk.

By Mr. Newhall of Sterling, petition of A. L. Fitch and others that a law be enacted defining the quantity constituting a can of milk sold under contract. Referred to the committee on Agriculture, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

New Bedford Gas Light Company.

By Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, petition of the New Bedford Gas Light Company for such legislation as will authorize said company to furnish gas and electricity for lighting and power, within the town of Fairhaven, with the same powers and privileges it now has in the city of New Bedford. Referred to the committee on Manufactures, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

The American Bell Telephone Company.

By Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, remonstrance of O. B. Chadwick & Co. and others against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for increase of capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, remonstrance of F. A. Dow and others against any change in the laws relating to the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was again laid over until Monday, on request of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, there being no objection : —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending section 80 of chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887 as to allow accident insurance companies doing business in this State to do “employers’ liability” insurance, provided such company shall increase their capital to a proper amount.

Accident
insurance
companies.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, and chapter 437 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to define more clearly the preference to be given in appointments to office or employment to soldiers and sailors who were honorably discharged from military and naval service of the United States at the time of the rebellion.

Appointment to
office and em-
ployment of
soldiers and
sailors.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that one license of the first five classes may be granted in the city of Boston for every three hundred and fifty of the inhabitants thereof, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Number of
places licensed
for the sale of
intoxicating
liquors in the
city of Boston.

Bills :

To provide for the appointment of boards of health in towns [Mr. Sprout of Worcester, of the House, dissenting] (reported on orders) ;

Boards of
health in towns.

Relating to sale of lands belonging to the First Congregational Parish in Petersham ; and

First Congrega-
tional Parish in
Petersham.

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness ;

Fitchburg.

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Additional clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for Worcester County.

A Bill providing for additional clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills:

North Adams fire district.

To authorize the town of North Adams to make an additional water loan in aid of the North Adams fire district; and

Ibid.

In aid of and relating to an additional water supply for the North Adams fire district;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and were ordered to a second reading; and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bills were severally read a second and a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Constitutional amendment,—intoxicating liquors.

The House Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the House amendments at "E," "F" and "G," and insisted on its amendment at "D," and asked for a committee of conference, Messrs. Symonds, Gleason and Kingsley being appointed the committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference; and Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Taft of Gloucester and Dearing of Braintree were appointed on the part of the House, and the resolves were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Plan for the better accommodation of the State government.

The House Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting a plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out in lines 5 and 6 the words, "during the month of March," and inserting in place thereof the words, "on or before the tenth day of April"; in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House petition of the selectmen of the town of Greenfield. Greenfield for legislation to confirm the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of Greenfield, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, Dipsomania. asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to providing separate quarters and separate or distinct treatment for dipsomaniacs, whether sentenced to the penal institutions or confined in the State asylums, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, Granting of licenses by mayors and selectmen. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to the granting of licenses by the mayors of cities or selectmen of towns.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Erection and maintaining of stables. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 38 and 39 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to the erection and maintaining of stables.

By Mr. Crane of Westfield, from the committee on Agriculture, Drawn poultry. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the removal of the head, entrails and feathers of dressed poultry exposed for sale.

By Mr. Nichols of Wilmington, from the committee on Labor, Employment of children. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888 by inserting after the word "read" the word "intelligently," by inserting after the words "at sight" the words "in a grammar school reader," and by striking out the word "simple" and inserting the word "ordinary."

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Ibid. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending any provisions of law concerning the employment of children under 14 years of age to children under 16 years of age who cannot read and write in the English language.

By Mr. Brown of Salem, from the committee on Railroads, Returns of gross and net earnings of railroads. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

requiring railroad corporations to make quarterly returns of their gross and net earnings to the Railroad Commissioners.

Gross and net earnings of railroads.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Ayers for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the Railroad Commissioners shall direct.

Taxation of chattels.

By Mr. Packard of Conway, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels.

Taxation of land.

By Mr. Pierce of Hadley, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Willard W. Gray and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land, and petitions in aid of the same.

Taxation of farm lands.

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Benjamin Dewing and others to regulate the taxation of farm lands.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Returns of constables' names to clerks of courts.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to returning names of constables to clerks of courts.

Town of Lincoln.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Lincoln to take land for school purposes in addition to the amount now allowed by law.

Appropriations for expenses.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

Hospital Cottages for Children.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill in aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville, in the town of Templeton, ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill in aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville in the town of Templeton."

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill to regulate the assessment and registration of voters. Assessment and registration of voters.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester. Salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ought to pass. New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of James K. Beede, William B. Potter and Wallace P. Balcom ought to pass. James K. Beede, William B. Potter and Wallace P. Balcom.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for printing 3,000 extra copies of the report of the commissioners on grade crossings ought to pass. Commissioners on grade crossings.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Douglas of Greenwich, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to amend an Act to provide for the free instruction of deaf mutes or deaf children. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Free instruction of deaf mutes or deaf children.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Holyoke for a further extension of the exemption of the city of Holyoke from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, limiting the municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day. City of Holyoke.

On motions of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the appointment of an officer for the oversight of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, was dis- Roads and bridges.

charged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Boston Pilots' Relief Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend chapter 173 of the Acts of the year 1865, in relation to the Board of Overseers of Harvard College ; and

To change the name of the A. C. Barnes Whip Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that actions by and against the city of Boston shall be brought either in Suffolk County or Middlesex County, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prohibit corporations organized under the laws of other States for the manufacture, sale and distribution of gas for illuminating and other purposes from doing business in this Commonwealth without a special Act of the Legislature ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. Doble and others for the establishment of a police court in Quincy ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Anne S. Robbins and others for legislation authorizing superintendents of incorporated hospitals to retain in their custody all children under fifteen years of age, when, in the opinion of two competent physicians, the removal of said children would result in death, or permanent or serious injury to the patients ;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus K. Noyes, M.D., and others, for the repeal, modification or amendment of the vaccination laws ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the exclusion of any child from school for non-vaccination shall not exempt any person having the control of such a child from the penalty imposed in section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes ; and

Of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings, was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hugh Montgomery and others for the appointment of city and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes, and petitions relative to the same subject ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroads to display lights at all grade crossings where flagmen are stationed when trains pass after nightfall ;

Were severally laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Charles Lawrence and others for legislation respecting the inspection of apples, was further considered. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill regulating the grading and inspection of apples." After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge and Turner of Malden were adopted, and the bill as amended was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To exempt the city of Worcester from the provisions of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the limit of municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities ;

To enable the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its water indebtedness ;

To provide for the transfer of liquor licenses from one locality to another in a city or town ;

To amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health ;

To change the name of the Warren Street Chapel ;

Prohibiting officers of savings banks from borrowing the funds of, or acting as surety for money borrowed from, such institutions ;

Relating to co-operative banks ;

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings ;

To incorporate the National Home Building Company ;

To amend sections 54 and 63 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, in relation to officers in attendance upon the municipal courts of the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Salem ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the method of electing the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of James Holehouse was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

Bills :

To amend chapter 290 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to appeals from probate courts ;

In relation to proof of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors, guardians and others ;

To extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the limit of the municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities ;

To authorize Willis T. Emery, Orsamus Nute and Henry O. Nute to drive piles in Charles River;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston;

To provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old graveyard, situate in the town of South Hadley, and for other purposes;

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund and for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund;

Concerning the Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers; and

To incorporate the Frothingham Buildings;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the transfer of the Dedham Public Library to the town of Dedham;

To authorize the town of Brookline to lay and maintain a common sewer in Boston and Newton;

To incorporate the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board;

In addition to an Act for supplying the town of Pittsfield with pure water;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk for the police court of Lowell; and

In relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways; and

Resolves:

In favor of Jane Parks; and

In favor of Patrick M. Drummey;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the employment of aliens by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park.

The Bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of a highway and bridge over the tide waters of the Acushnet River, between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven, was read a third time and con-

sidered. Mr. Henry of Fall River moved to amend by striking out in lines 7 and 8 of section 4 the words, "including their own charges for services in the construction of the same." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 81 to 9.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners for the county of Essex to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, at two minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 18, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The sixth annual report of the Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station was received, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station.

Committee Appointed.

Notice was received from the Senate that Messrs. Sprague of Suffolk, Crosby of Berkshire, Stevens of Norfolk, Hosmer of Middlesex and Cook of Bristol had been appointed the committee on the part of that branch to attend the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States. The Speaker joined, on the part of the House, Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Kimball of Fitchburg, Gordon of New Bedford, Preble of Boston, Kennedy of Boston, Hixon of Chelsea, O'Neil of Boston, Lincoln of Wrentham, Hutchinson of Lexington, Edward Sullivan of Boston, Holder of Lynn, Connell of Dracut, Oakman of Boston, Russell of Douglas and Atherton of Gill.

Committee appointed to attend the centennial celebration of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, remonstrance of William Mahanna and 40 others against the establishment of a district court in place of the police court of Lee, which shall include the town of Lenox. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Establishment of a district court in place of the police court of Lee.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, remonstrance of J. S. Anthony and others against granting the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company for increase of capital stock. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

American Bell Telephone Company.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of George I. Briggs for an Act to incorporate the Bourne Cemetery.

Bourne Cemetery Association.

Association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Broadway Universalist Society of South Boston.

By Mr. Means of Boston, petition of the Broadway Universalist Society of South Boston for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to receive a certain sum of money bequeathed by the will of George Smith, formerly of South Boston, and to hold the same in trust for the benefit of the said Broadway Universalist Society. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Woodcock and partridge.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, remonstrance of S. W. Putnam and others against any change in the law concerning the shooting of woodcock and partridge. Placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Reports of State boards and commissions.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation that will tend to facilitate the presentation of the reports of State boards and commissions early in the session, to the end that legislators may have the benefit of the information contained therein, when it is most advantageous.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence : —

Accident insurance companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending section 80 of chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887 as to allow accident insurance companies doing business in this State to do "employers' liability" insurance, provided such companies shall increase their capital to a proper amount.

Papers from the Senate.

Transfer checks on street railways in cities of more than

A report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the issuance of transfer checks by street railway compa-

nies operated in any city of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

one hundred
thousand in-
habitants.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Barney McCabe that a certain sum be paid him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth as back bounty, came down recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs, in which the House concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Barney
McCabe.

A Bill to authorize a loan for the construction of a public park in Brookline (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Public park in
Brookline.

A Resolve providing for a new building at the Agricultural Experiment Station (reported on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

Bills:

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale; and

Fire district in
Hinsdale.

To provide for the further and speedier publication of the laws (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, "Bill relating to the further publication of laws");

Publication of
laws.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Revere for a confirmation of the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town, held on the fourth day of March, 1889, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Re-
vere.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a district court for Western Worcester, and petitions in aid of the same.

District court
for Western
Worcester.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

Roban and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Leach of Palmer, Crowley of Boston, Edwards of Fall River and Stafford of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.]

Town of Weymouth.

By Mr. Porter of Brockton, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of C. A. Hunt of Weymouth that the town of Weymouth may be empowered to construct and maintain a system of electric lighting.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Compromise between devisees and legatees under wills.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend section 14 of chapter 142 of the Public Statutes, relating to authorizing the adjustment of controversies as to the estates of persons deceased.

Constitutional amendment,—right of franchise of soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on petitions, a Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the Amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise.

Municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Election of town auditors.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the election of town auditors by ballot ought to pass.

Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State Normal school at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Resolve providing for remodeling and enlarging the State Normal School Building at Bridgewater. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Sobier of Beverly moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, adopted in concurrence the following order:—

Appointment to office and employment of soldiers and sailors.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, and chapter 437 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to define more clearly the preference to be given in appointments to office or employment to soldiers and sailors who were honorably discharged from military and naval service of the United States at the time of the rebellion.

The motion prevailed. The question recurring on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, the same gentleman moved to amend by striking out the words, "committee on Public Service," and inserting in place thereof the words, "joint committee on the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Brown of Salem, the reports:

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Ayers for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the Railroad Commissioners shall direct; and

Statement of gross and net earnings of railroads.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroad corporations to make quarterly returns of their gross and net earnings to the Railroad Commissioners;

Ibid.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and were laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888 by inserting after the word "read" the word "intelligently," by inserting after the words "at sight" the words "in a grammar-school reader," and by striking out the word "simple" and inserting the word

Employment of children.

“ordinary,” was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

City of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, the Bill to exempt the city of Worcester from the provisions of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the limit of municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of The Marlborough Schuyler Electric Light Company ;

To amend an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Plymouth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate The American Humane Education Society (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve, authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting a plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to repealing sections 38 and 89 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to the erection and maintaining of stables ; and

On an order relative to amending section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to the granting of licenses by the mayors of cities or selectmen of towns ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the removal of the head, entrails and feathers of dressed poultry exposed for sale ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the provisions of law concerning the employment of children under fourteen years of age to children under sixteen years of age who cannot read and write in the English language ;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Benjamin Dewing and others to regulate the taxation of farm lands ;

On the petition of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels ; and

On the petition of Willard W. Gray and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society, by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land, and petitions in aid of the same ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that one license of the first five classes may be granted in the city of Boston for every three hundred and fifty of the inhabitants thereof, was accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings was, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, further postponed until Wednesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The Bill to prohibit the employment of aliens by the Commonwealth or any city or town therein was further considered, the question being on engrossment. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Shepard of Dan-

vers and Sanger of Cambridge were adopted, and the bill as amended was rejected.

Bills :

In addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To regulate the assessment and registration of voters ;

To authorize the town of Lincoln to take land for school purposes, in addition to the amount now allowed by law ;

In aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville in the town of Templeton ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester ;

In relation to returning names of constables to clerks of courts ;

Relating to sale of lands belonging to the First Congregational Parish in Petersham ;

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness ;

To provide for the appointment of boards of health in towns ; and

Resolves :

In favor of James K. Beede, William B. Potter and Wallace P. Balcom ;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ; and

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the Commissioners on Grade Crossings ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its water indebtedness ;

To change the method of electing the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham ;

To provide for the transfer of liquor licenses from one locality to another in a city or town ;

To amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health ;

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings ;

To incorporate the National Home Building Company ; and

To amend sections 54 and 63 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, in relation to officers in attendance upon the municipal courts of the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Warren Street Chapel ;

Prohibiting officers of savings banks from borrowing the funds of, or acting as surety for money borrowed from, such institutions ; and

Relating to co-operative banks ; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Salem ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 19, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report Received.*Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

The report of the Commissioner of Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, on the custody and condition of the public records of parishes, towns and counties, was received and was laid on the table.

*Petitions Presented.*City Hospital of
the city of
Quincy.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of the City Hospital of the city of Quincy for a change of name to that of the City Hospital of Quincy. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Aid for indigent
soldiers
and sailors.

By Mr. Newhall of Sterling, petition of Post 172, G. A. R., of Bolton, for the repeal of laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Fairhaven
Water Com-
pany.

By Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, petition of Joseph K. Nye and others to change the name of the Fairhaven Water Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Engine house at
South Hadley.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the selectmen of the town of South Hadley for authority to make a loan for the purpose of building an engine house in said town. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River, between
Holyoke and
South Hadley.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, remonstrance of John K. Judd and others against the passage of the Bill for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and South Hadley. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation, where such associations manufacture goods for the market.

Exemption from taxation of property of literary and other associations.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lynn : —

Ordered, That the joint special committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Commissioner of Province Laws, have power to employ a stenographer and other necessary clerical assistance, and to report in print.

Investigation of the office of the Commissioner of Province Laws.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Owen H. Whitten and others that the weighing of fresh salt-water fish by a public weigher be made compulsory (and petitions in aid thereof) ;

Public weigher of fish.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 219 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to defining what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquors, so as to exempt cider from the provisions of said Act (and petitions in aid thereof) ; and

Cider.

On an order relative to providing by law for the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county, to aid in the enforcement of the liquor law ;

Agents to enforce liquor laws.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the Senate committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of G. T. Plunkett and others of Hinsdale for the establishment of a fire district in said town, the creation of a water supply, that sewers, sidewalks and street lights may be maintained, and for other purposes, and

Hinsdale water supply.

recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Water Supply, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Bills :

Sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections.

Civil service.

Relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections in cities ; and

To amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof ;

Severally reported on an order, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Board of Arbitration.

A Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Controller of Accounts of County Officers.

The annual report of the Controller of the Accounts of County Officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices, for the year 1888, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Persons committed to houses of correction,—drunkenness.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 61 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of persons committed to houses of correction for certain offences, as to include within the provisions of said section persons committed for offences mentioned in sections 27 and 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes.

Judicial districts for Essex County.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to dividing the county of Essex into two or more judicial districts, with a view to facilitate the trial of cases in the superior court within and for said county.

Charges for libels for divorce.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 257 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to extend the provisions of section 3 thereof to include and regulate charges for libels for divorce bills and petitions in equity, and citations, orders and proceedings thereunder.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, Boards and commissions.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prescribing rules of procedure before boards and commissions having the power to summon or to examine witnesses, or to have and conduct hearings or trials before them.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Protection of life in burning buildings.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the protection of life in burning buildings and other structures, and for means of escape therefrom.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Entry of writs and processes in court.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the entry of writs and processes in municipal, district and police courts after the return or entry day thereof.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, Licensing of female dogs.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of female dogs.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Mortgagors.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 70 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes so as to include within its provisions others than the original mortgagors.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, Contracts between husband and wife.
leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary A. Greene and Lelia J. Robinson for such legislation as will enable husband and wife to make contracts with one another directly.

By Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an amendment of the charter of the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, Constitutional amendment,—census of legal voters.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order (taken from the files of last year) relative to amending articles 21 and 22 of the articles of amendment to the Constitution, concerning the census of legal voters.

By Mr. Garvey of Lowell, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. Hubbard and others that towns may be authorized to choose game-wardens to enforce the laws relative to game and song-birds. Game-wardens.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Daniel Williams, clerk of the municipal court of the Clerk of the municipal court of the Charles-town district of

the city of Boston.

Charlestown district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Damages caused by dogs.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 93 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages caused by dogs.

Superior court for Essex County.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide for an adjournment of the September sitting of the superior court for Essex County to Lawrence and Haverhill.

Order of trials in criminal cases.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in relation to the order of trial of criminal cases ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, Bill concerning the order of trials in criminal cases.

City of Lynn.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of building drains and sewers, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law.

Brockton drainage.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional drainage loan.

Christian Union Church of Stoneham.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Christian Union Church of Stoneham.

Jail at Newburyport.

By Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, from the committee on Prisons, on orders and a petition, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the enlargement of the jail at Newburyport.

Newburyport bridge.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Newburyport for the expense of repairing the Newburyport bridge in said city.

Sales by minors on street cars.

By Mr. Harrington of Hull, from the committee on Street Railways, on an order, a Bill to prohibit sales by minors under the age of ten years, on street cars.

Weymouth water loan.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend the law concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Ann Noonan. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Ann Noonan.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Rowell of Methuen moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of chattels.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Resolve in favor of James Holehouse was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs.

James Holehouse.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T. Rohan and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Pentucket Club of Haverhill ;

To incorporate the Dartmouth Club of New Bedford ;

To incorporate the Wamsutta Club of New Bedford ;

To authorize the Boston Art Club to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court for civil business of the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ; and

Providing for the purchase of land, and for repairs to the buildings on the same, at the Lyman School for Boys ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a district court for Western Worcester, and petitions in aid of the same, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of C. A. Hunt of Weymouth that the town of Weymouth may be empowered to construct and maintain a system of electric lighting, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the issuance of transfer checks by street railway companies operated in any city of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 14 of chapter 142 of the Public Statutes, relating to authorizing the adjustment of controversies as to the estates of persons deceased ;

To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ;

To establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ; and

To authorize a loan for the construction of a public park in Brookline ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Lincoln to take land for school purposes, in addition to the amount now allowed by law ;

In aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville in the town of Templeton ; and

In relation to returning the names of constables to clerks of courts ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to sale of lands belonging to the First Congregational Parish in Petersham ; and

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness ; and

Resolves :

In favor of James K. Beede, William B. Potter and Wallace P. Balcom ;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ; and

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the Commissioners on Grade Crossings ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley was further considered, the question being on engrossment. Mr. Brooks of Springfield moved to amend by striking out, in section 1, line 8, the words, "both ends alike," and reinsert the words previously stricken out by the House ; also, to add at the end of section 1 the words, "*provided*, that no authority is hereby given to take any land in the town of Hadley to widen or add to the approach to the abutment to the bridge ;" also, to reinsert sections 2 and 3, previously stricken out by the House. After debate, the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 82 to 58, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, at twenty-four minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 20, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

*Report Received.*Board of Gas
Commissioners.

The fourth annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners was received, and was referred to the committee on Manufactures and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, petition of Salmon Wakefield and others; and by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of Frank E. Cook and others, — severally, for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other imitations of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Henry S.
Greene.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of John B. Abbott for legislation authorizing the Public Administrator to distribute to him, and others next of kin of Henry S. Greene, certain money. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Harvard bridge
in Boston.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston that authority be given to the street commissioners of said city to establish the grade of West Chester Park, to render Harvard bridge between Boston and Cambridge convenient for public travel. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

City of Quincy.

By Mr. Adams of Quincy, petition of the mayor of Quincy for an amendment of the charter of the city of Quincy. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of William Dickey, for settlers in the State of Maine, that a certain sum of money collected for lumber cut and hauled off their farms be paid to them. Referred to the committee on Federal Relations, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. William Dickey.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of the North Falmouth Fishing Company for authority to construct a dyke across a certain creek in Falmouth for the cultivation of trout and other useful fishes. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Falmouth.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of E. H. Richardson for compensation for injuries received and expenses incurred in assisting the sheriff of Essex County to make an arrest. Referred to the committee on Prisons, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. E. H. Richardson.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Henry J. Gardner and others for a law to regulate the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of Louis Prang and others for the exemption from tax of all products of labor, personal property and improvements upon land, and providing for the collection of all public revenue from the value created by society by a single tax upon the rental or site value of land. Placed on file. Tax on land.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Morse of Marlborough, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester:—

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of repealing section 32 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes, relating to public schools. Public schools.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered, and, after debate, was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the joint special committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Investigation of the office of the Commissioner

of Province
Laws.

Commissioner of Province Laws, have power to employ a stenographer and other necessary clerical assistance, and to report in print.

Board of police
of the city of
Boston.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lydia M. Warner for the addition of a woman to the Board of Police Commissioners of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Banks,—officers
interested in
contracts.

A report of the Senate committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to forbidding, under a penalty, that any officer or clerk in a bank shall represent, as agent or otherwise, any party other than the bank in the making of a contract in which the bank is to be interested, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Constitutional
amendment,—
intoxicating
liquors.

A report of the committee of conference on the matter of difference between the two branches in relation to the Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage; recommending that the Senate recede from its position in the amendment at [D] and concur with the House, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston. On motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Bills :

Ludlow Manu-
facturing Com-
pany,—town of
Ludlow.

To authorize the Ludlow Manufacturing Company to supply the town of Ludlow with water, and with electricity for lighting and other purposes ;

Williamstown
Water
Company.

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise and property of the Williams Aqueduct Company ; and

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee ;

Severally reported on petitions, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve in favor of John C. and Rosanna Orcutt, reported on a petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

John C. and
Rosanna Orcutt.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order relative to amending chapter 199 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to returns and statistics of fire, in order that it may provide for the holding of a judicial inquiry in case either the chief engineer or chairman of the board of selectmen deem that the public good will be benefited by said judicial inquiry, and to relieve cities and towns of the expense thereof, had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension.

Returns and
statistics of fire.

The House petition of the Broadway Universalist Society of South Boston for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to receive a certain sum of money bequeathed by the will of George Smith, formerly of South Boston, and to hold the same in trust for the benefit of the said Broadway Universalist Society, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Broadway Uni-
versalist So-
ciety of South
Boston.

A petition of William F. Draper and others for such legislation as will enable the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to locate, construct and maintain an extension of its railroad, came down referred to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and in the reference to the committee, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been give as the committee shall direct.

Grafton and
Upton Railroad
Company.

The petition was returned to the Senate for concurrence in the reference with instructions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smalley of Nantucket, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repealing of chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the use of gill-nets or set nets

Setting of gill-
nets in Bus-
sard's Bay.

within one-half a mile of the shores of Mattapoisett, and petitions in relation to the same.

Estates of married women.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending section 1 of chapter 141 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the distribution of the estate of married women.

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

By Mr. Sprout of Worcester, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Taking alewives in the town of Bourne.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the selectmen of the town of Bourne to sell the right to take alewives in said town at public auction.

Hopland school district in the town of Lee.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, from the committee on Education, on an order and petitions, a Bill to abolish the Hopland school district in the town of Lee.

Taking of fish in North River.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth.

Returns of births and deaths.

By Mr. Patridge of Upton, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill in relation to the returns of births and deaths.

Passage of vessels through the draws in Charles River.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the passage of vessels through the draws of certain bridges over Charles River.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Exemption from taxation of property of literary and other associations.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, on the order relative to further legislation in relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation, where such associations manufacture goods for the market. After debate, the motion prevailed. Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, the order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Motion to Take from the Table.

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to take from the table the Provincial laws. Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws. After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, the Bill authorizing Newburyport bridge. the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Newburyport for the expense of repairing the Newburyport bridge in said city was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Martin of Lynn, the Bill to enable Lynn. the city of Lynn, for the purpose of building drains and sewers, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was suspended.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Engrossed bills :**

To exempt the city of Worcester from the provisions of Bills enacted. section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the limit of municipal debt of, and the rate of taxation in, cities ;

Providing for printing the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives ;

To incorporate the Newton Real Estate Association ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Worcester ; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In aid of and relating to an additional water supply for the North Adams fire district ;

Relating to the harbor-master and assistant harbor-masters for the harbor of Boston ;

In relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on street railways ;

To authorize the town of North Adams to make an additional water loan in aid of the North Adams fire district ;

To authorize the transfer of the Dedham Public Library to the town of Dedham ;

To authorize the town of Brookline to lay and maintain a common sewer in Boston and Newton ;

In addition to an Act for supplying the town of Pittsfield with pure water ; and

To incorporate The Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

In favor of Mary Burns ;

Providing for the payment of certain bills incurred in excess of appropriations therefor at the Lyman School for Boys ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Patrick M. Drummey ;

In favor of Jane Parks ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the
Day.

On an order relative to dividing the county of Essex into two or more judicial districts, with a view to facilitate the trial of cases in the superior court within and for said county ;

On an order relative to prescribing rules of procedure before boards and commissions having the power to summon or to examine witnesses, or to have and conduct hearings or trials before them ;

On an order relative to the protection of life in burning buildings and other structures, and for means of escape therefrom ;

On an order relative to providing for the entry of writs and processes in municipal, district and police courts after the return or entry day thereof ;

On an order relative to amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of female dogs ;

On an order relative to amending section 70 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes so as to include within its provisions others than the original mortgagors ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary A. Greene and Lelia J. Robinson for such legislation as will enable husband and wife to make contracts with one another directly ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (taken from the files of last year) relative to amending articles 21 and 22 of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution, concerning the census of legal voters ; and

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. Hubbard and others that towns may be authorized to choose game wardens to enforce the laws relative to game and song-birds ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Owen H. Whitten and others that the weighing of fresh salt-water fish by a public weigher be made compulsory (and petitions in aid thereof) ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 219 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to defining what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquors, so as

to exempt cider from the provisions of said Act (and petitions in aid thereof) ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county, to aid in the enforcement of the liquor law ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the election of town auditors by ballot ;

To change the name of the Christian Union Church of Stoneham ;

To authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan ;

Concerning the order of trials in criminal cases ;

To amend section 93 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages caused by dogs ;

To provide for an adjournment of the September sitting of the superior court for Essex County to Lawrence and Haverhill ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional drainage loan ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To regulate the assessment and registration of voters ; and

To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the report of the Commissioner of Public Records of parishes, towns and counties, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend the law concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court were further considered, the question being on agreeing to the resolves and articles of amendment, as follows :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end, that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution, by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and Councillors, shall hold their respective offices for two years next following the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

The Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor, and Attorney-General shall hold their respective offices for two years, beginning with the third Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

A person shall be eligible as Treasurer and Receiver-General for three successive terms, and no more.

The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and thereafter elections for the choice of all the officers before mentioned shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

All the provisions of the existing Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled.

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and re-

ferred to the General Court next to be chosen ; and that the said article be published, to the end, that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution, by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

Senators and Representatives shall hold their respective offices for terms of two years, beginning with the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and continuing until the day appointed for the assembling of the General Court next elected.

Each General Court shall, without any proclamation or other act of the Governor, be finally dissolved on the day preceding the day appointed for the first assembling of the next elected General Court.

The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and thereafter elections for the choice of all the officers before mentioned shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

All the provisions of the existing Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled.

Mr. Sanger of Boston moved to amend, at the end of line 15 of the article of amendment providing for biennial elections of State officers, by striking out the word "one" and inserting in place thereof the word "two;" also, at the end of line 12 of the article of amendment providing for biennial elections of members of the General Court, by striking out the word "one" and inserting in place thereof the word "two." On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, it was voted that debate be closed at twenty minutes past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, the amendments moved by Mr. Sanger of Boston were adopted.

On the question of agreeing to the article of amendment providing for biennial elections of State officers as amended, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to,

two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 107 yeas to 59 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Hamilton, Henry D.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Hanson, Charles H.
Ayres, George	Harrington, Z. Taylor
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Harvey, James W.
Barker, Thomas E.	Henry, Robert
Barnes, Franklin O.	Holbrook, John D.
Bennett, Charles H.	Holder, Langdon H.
Bennett, John O.	Holman, Frank E.
Bliss, George	Howe, Herbert W.
Blume, Andreas	Howes, Charles
Bond, Nelson F.	Howland, Willard
Bonney, J. Dean	Hutchinson, John F.
Bottum, John B.	Kempton, David B.
Bowman, Robert H.	Kimball, John W.
Brewster, Charles K.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Brooks, A. Olin	Lane, Hiram B.
Brooks, Horace S.	Lattimore, Andrew B.
Brooks, William H.	Lincoln, James D.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Carter, Charles E.	Marchant, Cornelius B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Martin, James P.
Church, Moses D.	McCall, Samuel W.
Clemence, George L.	Mead, Albert
Crowell, Joshua	Mendall, Noah F.
Curtis, Francis C.	Merrill, John F.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Milton, Henry S.
Cutting, George W.	Morison, Frank
Dallinger, Frank W.	Nichols, Edward M.
Davis, Joshua H.	Nichols, William H.
Dearing, T. Haven	Oakman, Henry P.
Douglas, William S.	Packard, John B.
Dubuque, Hugo A.	Paige, Frank E.
Ferren, Myron J.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Foote, Charles N.	Perkins, George A.
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Frost, Henry	Pike, Baxter P.
Giddings, Theodore	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Potter, Lurin J.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Prevau, John J.
Glasgow, Edward B.	Qua, Francis W.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Raymond, Francis H.
Gould, John B.	Reed, George A.
Gray, Robert S.	Rowell, William R.
Greenwood, Abner	Rugg, Charles P.
Hale, William M.	Sanger, Chester F.

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Shepard, Charles H.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Shepard, George A.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Smith, Henry O.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Sohier, William D.	White, William L., Jr.
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Hixon, William S.	Stafford, John H.
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Keliher, Thomas J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Kemp, Horace G.	

Yeas, 107; nays, 59.

On this question, Messrs. Albree of Boston, Brewer of Boston, Brown of Salem, Hildreth of Holyoke, Call of Springfield, Conant of Littleton, Smalley of Nantucket, Stover of Haverhill, Stearns of Dedham, Cook of Weymouth, Preble of Boston, Gardiner of Raynham, Allen of Woburn, Turner of Malden and Putnam of Lunen-

burg, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Burgess of Fall River, Slocum of Dartmouth, Littlefield of Peabody, Alden of Middleborough, Wyckoff of Franklin, Allen of Lowell, Burke of Boston, Bigelow of Grafton, Plaisted of Worcester, McCooey of Blackstone, Pillsbury of Boston, Thompson of Brockton, Wales of Attleborough, O'Mealey of Boston and Morse of Marlborough.

On the question of agreeing to the article of amendment providing for biennial elections of members of the General Court as amended, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 85 yeas to 58 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs.	Giddings, Theodore
	Atwood, Harrison H.		Gilman, Gorham D.
	Ayres, George		Gilman, Thomas K.
	Bancroft, Lewis M.		Glasgow, Edward B.
	Barker, Thomas E.		Gordon, William, Jr.
	Barnes, Franklin O.		Gould, John B.
	Bliss, George		Gray, Robert S.
	Blume, Andreas		Greenwood, Abner
	Bond, Nelson F.		Hale, William M.
	Bottum, John B.		Hamilton, Henry D.
	Bowman, Robert H.		Hanson, Charles H.
	Brooks, A. Olin		Harvey, James W.
	Brooks, Horace S.		Haskell, Forbes P.
	Brooks, William H.		Henry, Robert
	Cannell, Joseph H.		Holder, Langdon H.
	Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.		Holman, Frank E.
	Church, Moses D.		Howe, Herbert W.
	Clemence, George L.		Howes, Charles
	Crowell, Joshua		Howland, Willard
	Curtis, Francis C.		Hutchinson, John F.
	Cutler, Nahum S.		Kimball, John W.
	Cutting, George W.		Kittredge, Francis W.
	Dallinger, Frank W.		Lane, Hiram B.
	Davis, Joshua H.		Lincoln, James D.
	Dearing, T. Haven		Lovell, Clarence P.
	Douglas, William S.		Martin, James P.
	Dubuque, Hugo A.		McCall, Samuel W.
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	Fottler, Jacob		Merrill, John F.

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Patridge of Upton, Call of Springfield, Smalley of Nantucket, Marchant of Edgartown, Albree of Boston, Cook of Weymouth, Stover of Haverhill, Stearns of Dedham, Preble of Boston, Swallow of Boston, Allen of Woburn, Turner of Malden, Gardiner of Raynham and Putnam of Lunenburg, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Littlefield of Peabody, Wilcox of Pittsfield, Alden of Middleborough, Allen of Lowell, Kennedy of Boston, Wyckoff of Franklin, Burke of Boston, McDonough of Fall River, Burgess of Fall River, McCooey of Blackstone, Bigelow of Grafton, Plaisted of Worcester, Pillsbury of Boston, Gracey of Salem, Wales of Attleborough, O'Mealey of Boston, Thompson of Brockton and Morse of Marlborough.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings, was further considered. Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the manner of voting on appropriations at town meetings," pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

At twelve minutes past five o'clock, adjourned, on motion of Mr. Greenwood of Ashland.

THURSDAY, March 21, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition Presented.*Brighton
Avenue Baptist
Society.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, petition of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society for legislation to confirm certain acts done by said society. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Assistant clerk
of courts for
Essex County.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex.

The following order, offered by Mr. Snow of Marblehead, was laid over, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Committee on
the Liquor Law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law be granted an extension of time until the first day of May in which to make final report.

Public schools.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to repealing section 32 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes, relating to public schools, was considered. The House refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, and the order was referred to the next General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Foreign com-
panies doing

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting com-

panies organized under the laws of other States from doing the business of a savings bank or of a co-operative bank within this State, or of requiring that any such company shall, if admitted to do business in this State, be governed by and be subject to all the laws of this State governing similar corporations chartered by this State.

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savings banks.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester:—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such institutions as in their judgment may be necessary, for the purpose of aiding them in reporting upon so much of the Governor's address as relates to the use of machinery in prisons, under the provisions of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887.

Committee on
Prisons.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation, where such associations manufacture goods for the market.

Exemption of
literary and
other associa-
tions from tax-
ation.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to Catherine T. Simonds came down with the endorsement, 11th and 12th Joint Rules suspended, and referred to the committee on Cities. At the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the bill was laid over until to-morrow, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Catherine T.
Simonds.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the vote on the acceptance of the provisions of chapter 158 of the Statutes of the year 1871, or of sections 74, 75, 76 and 77 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to road commissioners in towns, and the vote on revoking such acceptance, shall be taken by ballot, and of prescribing the time and manner of taking such votes, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Road commis-
sioners in
towns.

Stockbridge
Water Com-
pany.

A petition of the Stockbridge Water Company for authority to take and distribute for fire, domestic and other purposes, any of the waters of the town of Stockbridge which are not now used by other existing companies, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Report of
State boards
and commis-
sions.

The House order, relative to facilitating the presentation of the reports of State boards and commissions early in the session, to the end that legislators may have the benefit of the information contained therein when it is most advantageous ; and

South Hadley.

The House petition of the selectmen of the town of South Hadley for authority to make a loan for the purpose of building an engine house in said town ;

Severally came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

City of Law-
rence, — Essex
County truant
school.

By Mr. Connell of Dracut, from the committee on County Estimates, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the city of Lawrence to be exempted from bearing any portion of the expenses of a truant school in Essex County, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education.

City of Gloucester, — Essex
County truant
school.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Gloucester to be exempted from bearing any portion of the expenses of a truant school in Essex County, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Forty-sixth
Registration Re-
port, — births,
marriages and
deaths, and re-
turns of medical
examiners.

By Mr. Dearing of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Forty-sixth Registration Report as relates to births, marriages and deaths, and returns of medical examiners.

By Mr. Riley of Adams, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the second annual report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Dearing of Braintree, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of William B. Cutler and others for an act of incorporation as the Massachusetts Standard Telephone Company. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, Resolutions relative to the protection of Provincetown harbor by the construction of a permanent dike across the western portion thereof, and asking that the same be referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

The report was read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence, and the resolutions were referred to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by statute that the commissioned agents of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, who hold a police or constable's warrant, may serve processes, in cases of neglected or abused children, in any part of the State.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 432 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to illegal peddling and begging by certain minors.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes so that it shall apply to children as well as adults; except that the punishment for boys under fifteen shall be commitment to the Lyman School at Westborough, and for girls under seventeen to the State Industrial School at Lancaster.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1882 by increasing

Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Massachusetts Standard Telephone Company.

Provincetown harbor.

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

Illegal peddling and begging by minors.

Juvenile offenders.

Neglected children.

the penalty of fine provided by said act ; and to repealing or amending sections 18, 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, concerning neglected children.

Deposition of witnesses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes so as to dispense with the requirement of filing written interrogatories and cross-interrogatories in taking the deposition of a witness without the Commonwealth before issuance of a commission therefor, and of providing for the greater facility in taking such depositions.

Neglected children.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that children over fourteen years of age who reside or are found in reputed houses of ill-fame, assignation or gambling houses, may be considered neglected children, under chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1882, and chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1883.

Set-off of executions.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 25 of chapter 171 of the Public Statutes, relative to the set-off of executions between the same parties.

Trials in police, district or municipal courts.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting any justice of a police, district or municipal court from sitting at the trial or hearing of any complaint, in a criminal action or proceeding, if such justice has previously heard the complainant or any of his witnesses upon the subject-matter of such complaint.

Size of new apple barrels.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating by law the size of new apple barrels.

Intoxicating liquors, — punishment of minors.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to punishing minors for loitering on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

Employment of women and minors on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

By Mr. Howe of Hubbardston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no woman, and no person who is a minor, shall be employed in any capacity upon premises where the sale of intoxicating liquor is the principal business carried on.

State Prison property at Charlestown.

By Mr. Hale of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

enclosing by proper fence or wall all of the State Prison property at Charlestown.

By Mr. Conant of Littleton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all State, city and town institutions for the care of the criminal poor and insane to keep a complete record of such persons from the date of admission to their discharge.

Records of criminals, paupers and the insane.

By Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring that persons arrested for drunkenness be detained until an investigation can be had to ascertain the character of the prisoner, and whether he has been previously arrested for a similar offence; to the end that the court may decide at the trial whether the defendant should be released, fined, imprisoned for a short or a long term, or committed to a reformatory institution.

Persons arrested for drunkenness.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mrs. Sadie S. Daniels that she may be recompensed for illegal detention in the Taunton Insane Asylum in the year 1882.

Sadie S. Daniels.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 83 of the Public Statutes, relating to settlement of paupers.

Settlement of paupers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to include the town of Stoneham within the jurisdiction of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Stoneham, — fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

Salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, on petitions, a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company.

Uxbridge Water Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Ann Noonan ought to pass.

Ann Noonan.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of John C. and Rosanna Orcutt ought to pass.

John C. and Rosanna Orcutt.

Annual report
of the State
Board of Arbitration.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ought to pass.

Deaf mutes or
deaf children.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend an Act to provide for the free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Employment of
children.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, by inserting after the word "read" the word "intelligently," by inserting after the words "at sight" the words "in a grammar school reader," and by striking out the word "simple" and inserting the word "ordinary," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Support of persons
committed
to houses of correction.

On motions of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 61 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of persons committed to houses of correction for certain offences, as to include within the provisions of said section persons committed for offences mentioned in sections 27 and 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Salary of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Prohibiting officers of savings banks from borrowing the funds of, or acting as surety for money borrowed from, such institutions ; Bills enacted.

Relating to co-operative banks ;

To change the name of the Warren Street Chapel ; and

To provide for the construction and maintenance of a highway and bridge over the tide-waters of the Acushnet River, between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment, forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage (which originated in the House) ; and Resolves passed.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Salem (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 257 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to extend the provisions of section 3 thereof to include and regulate charges for libels for divorce, and bills and petitions in equity, and citations, orders and proceedings thereunder, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an amendment to the charter of the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; and

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the use of gill-nets or set-nets within one-half a mile of the shores of Mattapoisett, and petitions relative to the subject ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 141 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the distribution of estates of married women; and

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lydia M. Warner for the addition of a woman to the Board of Police Commissioners of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To amend section 1 of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the enlargement of the jail at Newburyport;

Relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections in cities;

To amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof;

To abolish the Hopland school district in the town of Lee;

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth;

To provide for the passage of vessels through the draws of certain bridges over Charles River;

In relation to the returns of births and deaths;

To authorize the selectmen of the town of Bourne to sell the right to take alewives in said town at public auction;

To authorize the Ludlow Manufacturing Company to supply the town of Ludlow with water, and with electricity for lighting and other purposes;

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise and property of the Williams Aqueduct Company; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To change the name of the Christian Union Church of Stoneham;

To amend section 93 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages caused by dogs; and

To provide for an adjournment of the September sitting of the superior court for Essex County to Lawrence and Haverhill;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the manner of taking the vote on appropriations at town meetings, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Holman of Clinton, by inserting in line 2 of section 1, after the word "expenditures," the words, "exceeding the sum of \$500;" also, by striking out the word "ten," in line 5 of section 1, and inserting in place thereof the words, "twenty-five." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the substitute bill was rejected, by a vote of 42 to 116, and the report was accepted.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank K. Foster and others for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor of State, city, county and town employees at eight hours per day, was further considered. Mr. Leach of Palmer moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth, or any city or town therein."

After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, on the question of substituting the bill; and, the roll being called, the substitute bill was rejected, by a vote of 63 yeas to 99 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas
Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Barry, Richard M.
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Bonney, J. Dean
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, William H.

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Howard, John F.	O'Mcaley, John W.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	O'Neil, John W.
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Kimball, Rufus	Richards, James H.
Leary, Edward J.	Riley, Thomas
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Rugg, Charles P.
Macfarlane, John	Snow, Thomas
McCooley, Thomas	Stafford, John H.
McDonald, Peter J.	Sullivan, John H.
McDonough, John J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Swallow, George N.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Worth, Ira A.
McLaughlin, Daniel	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Curtis, Francis C.
Albree, John	Cutler, Nahum S.
Ayres, George	Cutting, George W.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Dallinger, Frank W.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Davis, Epes
Bennett, John O.	Dearing, T. Haven
Berry, Francis T.	Dewey, Henry S.
Bixby, Charles C.	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Blodgett, Percival	Douglas, William S.
Blume, Andreas	Eldridge, Albert R.
Bottum, John B.	Fottler, Jacob
Bowman, Robert H.	Frost, Henry
Brewster, Charles K.	Giddings, Theodore
Brooks, Horace S.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Brown, Orland J.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Call, Charles A.	Grant, Charles, Jr.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Greenwood, Abner
Carter, Charles E.	Hale, William M.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Hamilton, Henry D.
Church, Moses D.	Hanson, Charles H.
Connell, Thomas H.	Harris, Robert O.
Conwell, David	Haseltine, Phineas W.
Crane, Robert B.	Hildreth, John
Crowell, Joshua	Hixon, William S.

Messrs. Holman, Frank E.	Messrs. Potter, Lurin J.
Howe, Herbert W.	Qua, Francis W.
Howes, Charles	Richmond, Albert E.
Howland, Willard	Ripley, John B.
Hutchinson, John F.	Russell, Stillman
Kempton, David B.	Sanger, Chester F.
Kimball, John W.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Shepard, George A.
Lane, Hiram B.	Slocum, George W.
Lincoln, James D.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Smith, Henry O.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Stearns, George C.
Martin, James P.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Mendall, Noah F.	Sullivan, Edward
Merrill, John F.	Taft, Edgar S.
Morison, Frank	Thayer, Rufus A.
Nichols, Edward M.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Norcross, J. Henry	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Northup, Stephen L.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Oakman, Henry P.	White, William L., Jr.
Packard, John B.	Wilkins, John H.
Paige, Frank E.	Witt, Charles T.
Patridge, Joseph A.	Wood, Samuel
Perry, Charles	Wyckoff, William A.
Pierce, John N.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Porter, Charles F.	

Yeas, 63 ; nays, 99.

On this question, Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Perkins of Cambridge, Mellen of Worcester, Brooks of Springfield, Preble of Boston, Leach of Palmer, Garvey of Lowell, Raymond of Somerville, Quinn of Boston, Nolan of Boston, Carroll of Worcester, Duggan of Boston, Stover of Haverhill, Lally of Milford, Heslan of Boston and Nichols of Gloucester, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Henry of Fall River, Bond of Fitchburg, Carpenter of Brookline, Bliss of Warren, Beck of Milton, Wilcox of Pittsfield, Gray of Walpole, Brown of Salem, Sprout of Worcester, Bennett of Springfield, Plaisted of Worcester, Spring of Holliston, Prevaux of Amesbury, Bigelow of Grafton, Newhall of Sterling and Haskell of Gloucester.

The report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, at seven minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 22, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Massachusetts
Humane So-
ciety.

By Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, petition of B. W. Crowninshield and others for an amendment of section 106 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to the property of the Massachusetts Humane Society. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Larceny of
poultry.

By Mr. Perry of Rehoboth, petition of William C. Mason and others for such legislation as will increase the penalty for the larceny of poultry. Placed on file.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence:—

Committee on
the Liquor Law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law be granted an extension of time until the first day of May in which to make final report.

Papers from the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule on the following order, laid over from yesterday:—

Foreign com-
panies doing
business as
savings banks.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting companies organized under the laws of other States from doing the business of a savings bank or of a co-operative bank within this State, or of requiring that any such company shall, if admitted to do business in this State, be governed by and be subject to all the laws of the State governing similar corporations chartered by this State.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such institutions as in their judgment may be necessary, for the purpose of aiding them in reporting upon so much of the Governor's address as relates to the use of machinery in prisons, under the provisions of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887. Committee on Prisons.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to Catherine T. Simonds, laid over from yesterday, was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules, and in the reference to the committee on Cities. The question was put on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 11th Joint Rule, and the House refused to concur, by a vote of 55 to 47. Catherine T. Simonds.

Reports:

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 70 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that no person may be authorized to construct fish weirs within the limits of any city or town lying upon tide-water, unless the people of said town or city shall by vote authorize the mayor and aldermen of said city or the selectmen of said town to grant such authority; that no license to set pounds, weirs, traps or fykes shall be given for more than one year; and that no license shall be given to any person or persons which does not locate or fix the place by metes and bounds where the same is to be set, nor upon land of another person, or in the tide-waters upon the same; and Fish weirs.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Middlesex Street Railway Company for an amendment to its charter, so that it may locate, maintain and operate a street railway in Wakefield; East Middlesex Street Railway Company.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Medford to improve its water supply, and issue bonds for the payment and refunding of a portion of its water debt (reported on a petition); and Medford water supply.

Boston,—public
institutions.

To establish the commissioners of public institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk (reported on an order);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Memorial Asso-
ciation.

A Resolve in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Henry S.
Greene.

The House petition of John B. Abbott for legislation authorizing the public administrator to distribute to him, and others next of kin of Henry S. Greene, certain money, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Prohibitory
amendment,—
assessment and
registration of
voters.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing that all male persons over twenty-one years of age, residents of any city or town in the Commonwealth on or before March 1, 1889, may be assessed and registered, if properly qualified, and may be entitled to vote on the constitutional amendments.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing by proper laws for the submission of the prohibitional amendment to the people at a special election, and for laws concerning the registration of voters and the lists of persons qualified to vote on said amendment, and such other legislation as may be needed for the purpose.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Kimball, and sent up for concurrence.

Stationary en-
gines.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Dickinson and others for legislation relative to requiring all persons in charge of stationary engines to pass examination as to qualifications for such positions.

Alewife fish-
eries in the
town of Han-
son.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the fish committee of Hanson for an amendment of section 4,

chapter 44, of the Acts of the year 1881, relative to alewife fisheries in the town of Hanson.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Drainage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Taunton for legislation giving to said city full control of a certain stream for a receptacle for sewerage. Taunton sewerage.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to limiting and regulating the use of money in elections, and in securing nominations to office; also, requiring persons contributing campaign funds in excess of a limited amount to file a statement with some public officer, setting forth the amount and purpose of the contribution. Use of money in elections.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company that the time for the construction and completion of its road to Point Shirley, as fixed by chapter 258 of the Acts of the year 1888, may be extended. (Messrs. Pillsbury, Symonds and Donovan, of the Senate, and Mr. McDonough of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Worth of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Bristol County to complete the court house in Fall River. Court house in Fall River.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to enlarge and improve the accommodations for the courts and the county in Taunton. Bristol County, — accommodations for the courts and the county in Taunton.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of the several counties for taxes for the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurers, a Resolve granting county taxes. County taxes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment of county taxes. Ibid.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for an additional building at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading. Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the reports :
Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Juvenile
offenders.

On an order relative to amending section 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, so that it shall apply to children as well as adults, except that the punishment for boys under fifteen shall be commitment to the Lyman School at Westborough, and for girls under seventeen to the State Industrial School at Lancaster ;

Neglected
children.

On an order relative to amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1882, by increasing the penalty of the fine provided by said Act, and to repealing or amending sections 18, 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, concerning neglected children ; and

Ibid.

On an order relative to providing that children over fourteen years of age, who reside or are found in reputed houses of ill-fame, assignation or gambling-houses, may be considered neglected children, under chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1882, and chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1883 ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule in each case, and were recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reconsideration.

Charges for
libels for
divorce.

Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 257 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to extend the provisions of section 3 thereof to include and regulate charges for libels for divorce, and bills and petitions in equity, and citations, orders and proceedings thereunder.

The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To change the name of the Unionville Evangelical Society ;

To establish a board of public works for the city of New Bedford ;

To provide for the appointment of a third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business ;

In relation to the inspection of gas and gas meters ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to the sale of lands belonging to the First Congregational Parish in Petersham ; and

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed :

Providing for the printing and distribution of the report of the Commissioner of Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; Resolves passed.

In favor of James K. Beede, William B. Potter and Wallace P. Balcom ;

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the Commissioners on Grade Crossings ; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day:

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing by statute that the commissioned agents of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, who hold a police or constable's warrant, may serve processes in cases of neglected or abused children in any part of the State ; Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to amending chapter 432 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to illegal peddling and begging by certain minors ;

On an order relative to amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so as to dispense with the requirement of filing written interrogatories and cross-interrogatories in

taking the deposition of a witness without the Commonwealth before issuance of a commission therefor, and of providing for the greater facility in taking such depositions ;

On an order relative to amending section 25 of chapter 171 of the Public Statutes, relative to the set-off of executions between the same parties ;

On an order relative to prohibiting any justice of a police, district or municipal court from sitting at the trial or hearing of any complaint in a criminal action or proceeding, if such justice has previously heard the complainant or any of his witnesses upon the subject-matter of such complaint ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the size of new apple barrels ;

Of the committee on the liquor law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to punishing minors for loitering on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ; and

On an order relative to providing by law that no woman, and no person who is a minor, shall be employed in any capacity upon premises where the sale of intoxicating liquor is the principal business carried on ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enclosing by proper fence or wall all of the State Prison property at Charlestown ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring all State, city and town institutions for the care of the criminal, poor and insane, to keep a complete record of such persons from the date of admission to their discharge ;

On an order relative to requiring that persons arrested for drunkenness be detained until an investigation can be had to ascertain the character of the prisoner, and whether he has been previously arrested for a similar offence ; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 83 of the Public Statutes, relating to settlement of paupers ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the pe-

tion of Mrs. Sadie S. Daniels that she may be recompensed for illegal detention in the Taunton Insane Asylum in the year 1882; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Daniel Williams, clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston, for increase of salary;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the vote on the acceptance of the provisions of chapter 158 of the Statutes of the year 1871, or of sections 74, 75, 76 and 77 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to road commissioners in towns, and the vote on revoking such acceptance, shall be taken by ballot; and of prescribing the time and manner of taking such votes, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To include the town of Stoneham within the jurisdiction of the fourth district court of eastern Middlesex;

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston; and

To amend an Act to provide for the free instruction of deaf mutes or deaf children; and

Resolves:

In favor of Ann Noonan;

In favor of John C. and Rosanna Orcutt; and

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend section 1 of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the enlargement of the jail at Newburyport;

To abolish the Hopland school district in the town of Lee;

To provide for the passage of vessels through the draws of certain bridges over Charles River;

In relation to the returns of births and deaths; and

To authorize the selectmen of the town of Bourne to

sell the right to take alewives in said town at public auction;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections in cities ;

To amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof ; and

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise and property of the Williams Aqueduct Company ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Holyoke for a further extension of the exemption of the city of Holyoke from the provisions of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, limiting the municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities, was further considered. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend, by the substitution of a " Bill to exempt the city of Holyoke from the provisions of section one of chapter three hundred and twelve of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relative to the limit of municipal debt of, and the rate of taxation in, cities." After debate, the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by the law, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend the clause relating to the compensation and expenses of an agent to care for the property acquired by the Commonwealth for the better accommodation of the State government, by striking out, in lines 84 and 85 of the bill, the words, " fifteen hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words, " one thousand." After debate, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 75 to 44, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester was read a third time,

and considered. Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend, in line 3 of section 1, by striking out the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "seven." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of boards of health in towns was read a third time, and considered, and, after debate, was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, laid on the table.

The Bill to prohibit sales by minors under the age of ten years on street cars was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Barker of Malden moved to amend, in line 3 of section 1, by striking out the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "five." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, on motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

The Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise, was read a third time; and, pending the question on agreeing to the resolve and article of amendment, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Gilman of North Andover, at twenty-five minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 25, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Insurance Com-
missioner.

The thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner was received, and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Boston, —
congressional
districts.

By Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for an amendment of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the division of the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Massachusetts
Kennel Club of
Lynn.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, petition of the Massachusetts Kennel Club, relative to the revoking of the charter of the Massachusetts Kennel Club, Lynn, Mass. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Grafton Water
Company.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of the Grafton Water Company for an increase of its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Plymouth.

By Mr. Sherman of Plymouth, petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for legislation authorizing said town to raise money for the celebration of the completion of the national monument to the Pilgrims in Plymouth. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, remonstrance of the State Assembly, Knights of Labor, against the passage of the Bill allowing the Old Colony Railroad to increase its capital stock. Placed on file.

Old Colony Railroad.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committees on Cities and Mercantile Affairs, who have been authorized to sit jointly to consider the subject of underground wires, be empowered to employ a stenographer.

Committees on Cities and Mercantile Affairs.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sprout of Worcester, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an Act to provide for the appointment of superintendents of streets in towns, so that the same shall read, “or of sections 74, 75, 76 and 77 of chapter 27,” etc.

Superintendents of streets in towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending chapter 132 of the Public Statutes, so that guardians or trustees residing out of the Commonwealth shall be compelled to appoint an agent living within the Commonwealth to receive service of legal processes.

Guardians or trustees.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing an additional thousand copies of Public Document No. 29, being the second annual report of the Controller of County Accounts, without the statistical tables, for the use of the Legislature and for distribution.

Controller of County Accounts.

A report of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. J. Sullivan and others for such legislation as will prohibit the use of steam machin-

Use of steam machinery in penal institutions.

ery in penal institutions for mechanical and manufacturing purposes (and petitions in aid of the same), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Insurance companies.

The House report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 29 and 80 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that companies authorized to insure against bodily injury and death by accident may also insure against the liability of employers for injuries to persons in their employ, came down recommitted to the committee on Insurance, in which the House concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Salary of the justice of the first district court of Northern Middlesex.

A Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Northern Middlesex (reported on a petition); and a

Henry J. Coolidge.

Resolve in favor of Henry J. Coolidge (being a Resolve introduced on leave in the House);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the clerk of the district attorney for Suffolk county.

A Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

The Senate Bill in addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, the rule was suspended, and the House receded from its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

North Falmouth Fishing Company.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the North Falmouth Fishing Company, for authority to construct a dyke across a certain creek in Falmouth for the cultivation of trout and other useful fishes, had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

The House order relative to providing a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Assistant clerk of courts for Essex County.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pinkerton, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George A. Shepard for confirmation of the acts of a certain town meeting of the town of Sandisfield.

Sandisfield.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the sheriff of Franklin County for an increase of salary.

Salary of the sheriff of Franklin County.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Lattimore of Boston, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the mutilation of horses ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Mutilation of horses.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Ashfield Burial Ground Association, and to authorize the town of Ashfield to convey certain existing burying grounds to such association.

Ashfield Burial Ground Association.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the doings of the trustees of the Sanderson academy and school fund, to confirm the title of the present trustees, to change the name of said corporation, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate by said corporation.

Sanderson academy and school fund.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to annex a portion of the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon.

Annexation of parts of Randolph and Holbrook to Avon.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to dogs, ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Dogs.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the order relative to providing for the approval by the Railroad Commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation

Locations of street railways.

of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power, to street railway companies in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table, and was adopted in concurrence.

On motions of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the reports :

Statement of
the net earn-
ings of rail-
roads.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Ayres for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the Railroad Commissioners shall direct ; and

Ibid.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroad corporations to make quarterly returns of their gross and net earnings to the Railroad Commissioners ;

Were severally taken from the table, and were postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Support of per-
sons committed
to houses of
correction.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 61 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of persons committed to houses of correction for certain offences, as to include within the provisions of said section persons committed for offences mentioned in sections 27 and 42 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Constitutional
amendment,—
right of fran-
chise of soldiers
and sailors.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise, was taken from the table. Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to amend by striking out, in line 23, the words, "being a pauper," and inserting in place thereof the words, "receiving or having received aid from any city or town ;" pending which, and pending the main question, on agreeing to the article of amendment, the resolve was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Use of money
in elections.

On motions of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next

General Court, on an order relative to limiting and regulating the use of money in elections and securing nominations to office ; also, requiring persons contributing campaign funds in excess of a limited amount to file a statement with some public officer, setting forth the amount and purpose of the contribution, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Brewer of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 11th Joint Rule, on the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to Catherine T. Simonds. After debate, the motion prevailed. The question recurring on the suspension of the rule in concurrence, the House refused to concur, by a vote of 58 to 68, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Catherine T.
Simonds.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting any justice of a police, district or municipal court from sitting at the trial or hearing of any complaint in a criminal action or proceeding, if such justice has previously heard the complainant or any of his witnesses upon the subject-matter of such complaint. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question, on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Trials in police,
district and
municipal
courts.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of building drains and sewers, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Bills enacted.

In relation to the drawing and summoning of jurors in the supreme judicial court for the county of Barnstable ;

To establish the salary of the constables of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To authorize Willis T. Emery, Orsamus Nute and Henry O. Nute, to drive piles in Charles River ;

To incorporate the Frothingham Buildings ;
To establish the salary of the secretary of the civil service commission ; and

To extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the limit of municipal debt of and the rate of taxation in cities ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of J. E. Dickinson and others for legislation relative to requiring all persons in charge of stationary engines to pass examination as to qualifications for such positions ; and

On the petition of the fish committee of Hanson for an amendment of section 4, chapter 44, of the Acts of the year 1881, relative to alewife fisheries in the town of Hanson ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Drainage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Taunton for legislation giving to said city full control of a certain stream for a receptacle for sewerage, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 70 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, authorizing persons to construct fish weirs within the limits of any city or town lying upon tide-water, and concerning licenses to set pounds, traps or fykes ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Middlesex Street Railway Company for an amendment to its charter, so that it may locate, maintain and operate a street railway in Wakefield ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of Bristol County to complete the court house in Fall River ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to enlarge and improve the accommodations for the courts and the county in Taunton ;

Relating to the payment of county taxes ;

To authorize the town of Medford to improve its water supply, and issue bonds for the payment and refunding of a portion of its water debt ; and

Resolves :

Granting county taxes ; and

Providing for an additional building at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan ;

Concerning the order of trials in criminal cases ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional drainage loan ;

To prohibit sales by minors under the age of ten years on street cars ;

To include the town of Stoneham within the jurisdiction of the fourth district court of eastern Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ; and

To amend an Act to provide for the free instruction of deaf mutes or deaf children ; and the

Resolve in favor of Ann Noonan ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize a loan for the construction of a public park in Brookline ;

To provide for the election of town auditors by ballot ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John C. and Rosanna Orcutt ; and

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Ludlow Manufacturing Company to supply the town of Ludlow with water, and with

electricity for lighting and other purposes, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by striking out, in section 4, lines 16 and 17, the words "no such;" and in line 20 of the same section, by striking out the word "until," and inserting in place thereof the words, "within two years from the time when." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad that the time for the construction and completion of its road to Point Shirley, as fixed by chapter 258 of the Acts of the year 1888, may be extended, was postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

The Bill to establish the commissioners of public institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Atherton of Saugus moved to amend, in line 3 of section 1, by striking out the word "men," and inserting in place thereof the word "persons;" and by inserting in line 5 of the same section, after the word "city," the words, "one of whom may be a woman;" which amendment was rejected.

Mr. Leary of Boston moved to amend by striking out, in section 3, lines 3, 4, 5 and 6, the words, "passage, and, for all other purposes, shall take effect on the first Monday in April, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine," and inserting in place thereof the words, "acceptance by the city council of said city;" which amendment was rejected, by a vote of 28 to 59.

Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend by adding, at the end of section 2, the words, "Said commissioners shall not engage in any other business or occupation." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, at five minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 26, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, petition of Charles S. Smith and others for such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, butterine, or other imitations of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Henry A. Willis and others for an amendment to the charter of the city of Fitchburg. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Fitchburg.

By Mr. Foote of Lee, petition of Elizur Smith and 57 others for the abolition of the police court and the establishment of a district court at Lee. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Abolition of the police court at Lee and the establishment of a district court.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties. Committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Whitmore that the city council of Boston be empowered to take, by purchase or otherwise, certain lands and buildings situated in said city, on the line of Bowdoin Street, and to issue a loan outside of the debt limit ; Boston.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Merrimac River Towing Company. Merrimac River Towing Company.

Towing Company for the construction of a draw on a bridge over the Powow River; and

Sale of intoxicating liquors to minors.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the Act that defines the penalty for selling or giving liquor to a minor that it shall be both fine and imprisonment;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston and Cambridge,—Charles River bridges.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridges, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the rule was suspended and the report was laid on the table.

State Board of Arbitration.

A report of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Leach of Palmer.

Bills:

Northborough,—Mary Goodnow.

To authorize the town of Northborough to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of Mary Goodnow; and

Lowell Police Relief Association.

To incorporate the Lowell Police Relief Association; Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Plymouth County probate courts.

A Bill fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth (being a new draft of a House bill with the title "Bill to amend section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes relative to the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth"), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Public health,—offensive trades.

The House Bill to amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read "Bill relating to appeals from orders passed by boards of health concerning offensive trades," in which the House concurred, under a

suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 130 of the Public Statutes, relative to the administration of estates after twenty years, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, "Bill concerning the administration of estates after the expiration of twenty years from the decease of a testator or intestate," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. •

Administration
of estates after
twenty years.

The Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Milton of Waltham, the House insisted on its amendment, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Milton of Waltham, Harris of East Bridgewater and McDonald of Pittsfield were appointed said committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Spayed dogs.

The House petitions :

Of B. W. Crowninshield and others for an amendment of section 106 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to the property of the Massachusetts Humane Society; and

Massachusetts
Humane So-
ciety.

Of the selectmen of Plymouth for legislation authorizing said town to raise money for the celebration of the completion of the national monument to the Pilgrims in Plymouth;

Plymouth.

Severally came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject matter of the order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 204 of the Public Statutes in such manner as to include therein and make punishable by the provisions of said chapter the issuance of blank tax-bills by persons other than those connected with the

Blank tax-bills.

assessors' office, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Highway crossing over the Boston and Providence Railroad near Clarendon Hills.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of D. Eldredge and others for a highway crossing over the Boston and Providence Railroad near Clarendon Hills. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Plymouth,—completion of the national monument to the Pilgrims.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Plymouth to raise money to celebrate the completion of the national monument to the Pilgrims in Plymouth. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

District court at Arlington.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Cornelius Wellington and others for the establishment of a district court at Arlington.

Sales of furniture and other household effects.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884, concerning conditional sales of furniture and other household effects, whether the contract is in the form of a lease or otherwise.

Clerks of court and registers of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the Constitution as to provide for the appointment of clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency, and petitions relative to the same.

Histories of military organizations of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on a Resolve (introduced on leave) in relation to the purchase and distribution of histories of military organizations of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion.

Massachusetts,—War of the Rebellion.

By Mr. McNary of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to such legislation as will promote the collection of

material illustrating the part taken by the State of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion.

By Mr. Harvey of Boston, from the same committee, Danvers. leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. H. Shepard for legislation authorizing the town of Danvers to pay bounty or military aid to certain soldiers.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Eunice M. Woods and Annie W. Woods for State aid. Eunice M. Woods and Annie W. Woods.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Gustave Andrews and others that the town bounty be paid to certain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as part of the quota of the town of Stoneham. Town bounty of the town of Stoneham.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. B. Sanborn for an investigation of certain acts of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. Frank B. Sanborn.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank B. Sanborn for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth. Ibid.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the memorial of Alice Cooke, and a petition in aid of the same, for compensation for the care of five insane paupers. (Mr. Bliss of Warren, of the House, dissenting.) Alice Cooke.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to further causes for divorce. Divorce.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the refunding to James Donoghue of money paid by him as bondsman for Thomas F. Donoghue from the treasury of the county of Plymouth. James Donoghue.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to voting by proxy at meetings of street railway companies ought to pass. Voting by proxy at street railway meetings.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the further and speedier publication of the laws ought to pass. Publication of the laws.

Assistant clerks
of courts.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the official signatures of assistant clerks of courts ought to pass.

Salary of the
judge of probate and insolvency for
Bristol County.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ought to pass.

Clerical assistance for the
register of probate and insolvency for Worcester County.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill providing for additional clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ought to pass.

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Memorial
Association.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State Normal
School at Westfield.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield.

William J.
Savage.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William J. Savage.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Fixing the times for holding probate courts in the county of Middlesex ;

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings ;

To provide for the disposition of legacies bequeathed to minors who have no legal guardian ;

To enable the city of Fitchburg to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its water indebtedness ; and

To incorporate the National Home Building Company ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof ; and

Relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections in cities ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George A. Shepard for confirmation of the acts of a certain town meeting of the town of Sandisfield, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the sheriff of Franklin County for an increase of salary, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. J. Sullivan and others for such legislation as will prohibit the use of steam machinery in penal institutions for mechanical and manufacturing purposes, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Ashfield Burial Ground Association, and to authorize the town of Ashfield to convey certain existing burying grounds to such association ;

To confirm the doings of the trustees of the Sanderson Academy and School Fund, to confirm the title of the present trustees, to change the name of said corporation, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate by said corporation ;

To prevent the mutilation of horses ;

To annex a portion of the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Northern Middlesex ; and the

Resolve in favor of Henry J. Coolidge ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend section 14 of chapter 142 of the Public Statutes, relating to authorizing the adjustment of controversies as to the estates of persons deceased ;

To authorize the county commissioners of Bristol County to complete the court house in Fall River ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to enlarge and improve the accommodations for the courts and the county in Taunton ;

Relating to the payment of county taxes ; and the
Resolve providing for an additional building at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Medford to improve its water supply, and issue bonds for the payment and refunding of a portion of its water debt, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to dogs, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "already" the words "authorized to be," which was adopted. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend in section 1, line 10, by inserting after the word "laws" the words "shall be sold at public auction in the manner provided for such sales in section 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes," which was rejected by a vote of 32 to 126. After debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad that the time for the construction and completion of its road to Point Shirley, as fixed by chapter 258 of the Acts of the year 1888, may be extended, was considered.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend an Act authorizing the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop."

Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend the substitute bill in section 1, line 6, by striking out the words "two years," and inserting in place thereof the words "three months;" also adding at the end of section 1 the following: "Provided, nevertheless, that, if the said road is

not completed within the time hereinbefore fixed, the said road shall forfeit its franchise between its circuit line so called and Point Shirley." Both amendments were adopted.

Mr. Brown of Salem moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "Provided the directors of said road shall notify the Railroad Commissioners, within 30 days after the passage of this act, that said road shall be built within the time allowed in this act." The amendment was rejected. The bill, as amended, was substituted for the report, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroad corporations to make quarterly returns of their gross and net earnings to the Railroad Commissioners, was considered. Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the quarterly returns of railroad corporations." The bill was read and substituted, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Ayers for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the Railroad Commissioners shall direct, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester.

The Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise, was further considered, the main question being on agreeing to the article of amendment. Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to substitute for the pending amendment moved by him the following:—

In line 15 strike out the word "amendment" and insert in place thereof the word "amendments;" also

In line 17 strike out the words "if a pauper" and insert in place thereof the words "'being a pauper' and inserting in place thereof the words 'receiving or having received aid from any city or town,' and also by striking out in said 4th line the words 'if a pauper.'" Also in

line 23 strike out the words "being a pauper," and insert in place thereof the words "receiving or having received aid from any city or town."

The amendments were adopted.

Pending the question on agreeing to the resolve and article of amendment, as amended, the House, —

At five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned, on motion of Mr. Leary of Boston.

WEDNESDAY, March 27, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Highway Statistics.

A communication was received from the Secretary of ^{Highways.} the Commonwealth, transmitting certain statistics concerning highways, in accordance with an order adopted by both branches of the Legislature. The communication was read, and the statistics were referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and sent up for concurrence.

Member Qualified.

Mr. William F. Ferry, a member-elect from the Sixth ^{Member qualified.} Hampden Representative District, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Lane of Springfield and Barnes of Chelsea were appointed a committee, who conducted him to the council chamber; and, he having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of the mayor of ^{Woburn.} Woburn for authority to appoint ward officers. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, petition of Charles S. ^{Charles S. Wilder.} Wilder for the payment to him, out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, of back bounty.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of Joseph ^{Joseph Mordette.} Mordette that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petition of Post 110, ^{Aid for indigent soldiers and sailors.} G. A. R., of Randolph, for the repeal of the laws relating to pauper aid for indigent soldiers and sailors. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, remonstrance of N. W. Lyon and others of Fall River; by Mr. Burgess of Fall River, remonstrance of E. R. Wilbur and 60 others; and by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, remonstrance of George W. Slade and 40 others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mutilation of
horses.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, petition of Fifield, Richardson & Company for legislation to prevent the mutilation of horses. Placed on file.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill: —

Adjournment
over Monday,
April 1.

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns on Friday next, it be to meet on the following Tuesday at 2 o'clock P.M.

The following order, offered by Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston: —

Sale of railroad
stock at public
auction.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of so amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes as to provide that all railroads, when granted authority to increase their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction.

The following order, offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston: —

Witnesses who
appear before
the fire marshal
of the city of
Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing legislation to properly protect witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of the city of Boston, under chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1886.

Papers from the Senate.

Electric wires.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by statute that all fixtures, poles or other devices, designed for the support of electric wires operated by other than municipal corporations, shall be erected or placed upon buildings within this Commonwealth only with the consent of the owner or agent of such buildings, accepted by

the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square (being a House bill introduced on leave) ; Haverhill.

Concerning the fees for pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor (reported on a petition) ; Pilotage fees in and out of Wood's Holl harbor.

Relating to certificates of returns of death of soldiers and sailors who served in the War of the Rebellion (reported on an order) ; and Soldiers and sailors.

To enable the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for the purpose of building a new city hall (reported on a petition) ; Brockton.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve in favor of Barney McCabe (reported on a petition, recommitted), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. BarneyMcCabe.

The House Bill to amend chapter 147 of the Public Statutes, relating to certain rights and liabilities of husband and wife, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended, so that it read, " Bill concerning the property of married women," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Husband and wife.

A petition of F. A. Nye and others for legislation to permit the construction of a dyke or dam across a certain navigable creek in Falmouth, for the creation of an artificial pond for the propagation of fishes useful for food, and for stocking the same therewith, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Falmouth.

The House order relative to amending chapter 132 of the Public Statutes so that guardians or trustees residing out of the Commonwealth shall be compelled to appoint an agent living within the Commonwealth to receive service of legal processes, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Guardians or trustees.

Reports of Committees.

Truant schools. By Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Salem and others for the repeal of the law requiring county commissioners to establish truant schools, when requested so to do by three or more towns. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Lynn, and sent up for concurrence.

List of pardons. By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message of the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1888. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Court Unity, No. 7469. By Mr. Parks of Westfield, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to authorize Court Unity, No. 7469, Ancient Order of Foresters, of Blackstone, to hold real and personal estate. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Truant schools. By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to schools for truant children. Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Ibid. By Mr. Worth of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Essex County to borrow money for the purpose of establishing a truant school or schools.

Newburyport. By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to discontinue certain common landing places in said city, and for other purposes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Gustave Andrews.

On motions of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Gustave Andrews and others that the town

bounty be paid to certain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as a part of the quota of the town of Stoneham, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Concerning the administration of estates after the expiration of twenty years from the decease of a testator or intestate ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund, and for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund ;

In addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To provide for the election of town auditors by ballot ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise and property of the Williams Aqueduct Company ;

To authorize a loan for the construction of a public park in Brookline ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed :

In favor of John C. and Rosanna Orcutt ; and

Providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolves passed.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, Orders of the Day.
on the petitions of Cornelius Wellington and others for the establishment of a district court at Arlington ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884, concerning sales of furniture and other household effects, whether the contract is in form of a lease or otherwise ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the Constitution as to provide for the appointment of clerks of courts and registers of probate and insolvency, and petitions relative to the same ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Eunice M. Woods and Annie W. Woods for State aid ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court :

On an order relative to such legislation as will promote the collection of material illustrating the part taken by the State of Massachusetts in the War of the Rebellion ; and

On a Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the purchase and distribution of histories of military organizations of Massachusetts during the War of the Rebellion ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of F. B. Sanborn for an investigation of certain acts of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

On the petition of Frank B. Sanborn for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth ; and

On the memorial of Alice Cooke, and a petition in aid of the same, for compensation for the care of five insane paupers ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Whitmore that the city council of Boston be empowered to take, by purchase or otherwise, certain lands and buildings situated in said city, on the line of Bowdoin Street, and to issue a loan outside of the debt limit ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Merrimac River Towing Company for the construction of a draw on a bridge over Powow River ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the Act that defines the penalty for selling or giving liquor to a minor that it shall be both fine and imprisonment ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the refunding to James Donoghue of money paid by him as bondsman for Thomas F. Donoghue from the treasury of the county of Plymouth ;

Relating to further causes for divorce ;

Relating to the quarterly returns of railroad corporations ;

To amend an Act authorizing the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to re-locate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop ;

To authorize the town of Northborough to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of Mary Goodnow ;

To incorporate the Lowell Police Relief Association ;

Relative to voting by proxy at meetings of street railway companies ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ;

Relative to the official signatures of assistant clerks of courts ;

Providing for additional clerical assistance in the office of the registrar of probate and insolvency in the county of Worcester ;

To provide for the further and speedier publication of the laws ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to increase its capital stock ;

To incorporate the Ashfield Burial Ground Association, and to authorize the town of Ashfield to convey certain existing burying grounds to such association ;

To confirm the doings of the trustees of the Sanderson Academy and School Fund, to confirm the title of the present trustees, to change the name of said corporation, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate by said corporation ;

To prevent the mutilation of horses ; and the

Resolve granting county taxes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Northern Middlesex; and the Resolve in favor of Henry J. Coolidge; Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment of article 28 of the amendments to the Constitution, relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on agreeing to the article of amendment, on which question the yeas and nays were taken; and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to and sent up for concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative.

The vote was 205 yeas, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Adams, Warren W.		Burgess, John H.	
Alden, Jared F.		Call, Charles A.	
Alden, Thomas		Cannell, Joseph H.	
Allen, Montessor T.		Carpenter, George N.	
Allen, Richard B.		Carter, Charles E.	
Atherton, Ralph L.		Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	
Atwood, Harrison H.		Church, Moses D.	
Ayres, George		Clayton, Horace E.	
Babbitt, Rollin H.		Clemence, George L.	
Bancroft, Lewis M.		Conant, Nelson B.	
Barker, Thomas E.		Connell, Thomas H.	
Barnes, Franklin O.		Conwell, David	
Barry, Richard M.		Cook, Louis A.	
Beck, Walter P.		Coveney, John W.	
Bennett, Charles H.		Crane, Robert B.	
Bennett, John O.		Cronin, James M.	
Bicknell, Thomas W.		Crowell, Joshua	
Bigelow, Alden M.		Crowley, John H.	
Bliss, George		Curtis, Francis C.	
Blodgett, Percival		Cutler, Nahum S.	
Bond, Nelson F.		Cutting, George W.	
Bonney, J. Dean		Dallinger, Frank W.	
Bottum, John B.		Dame, Luther	
Bowman, Robert H.		Davis, Epes	
Brewer, Edward W.		Davis, Joshua H.	
Brooks, A. Olin		Dearing, T. Haven	
Brooks, William H.		Dewey, Henry S.	
Brown, Edward F.		Dodge, Simeon, Jr.	
Brown, Orland J.		Douglas, William S.	

Messrs. Dubuque, Hugo A.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gillespie, John F.
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Harris, Robert O.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Heslan, John E.
 Hildreth, John
 Hixon, William S.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howard, John F.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Howland, Willard
 Hutchinson, John F.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Horace G.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lally, James, Jr.

Messrs. Lane, Hiram B.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Leach, William W.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lincoln, James D.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John H.
 McDonough, John J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McNary, William S.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morison, Frank
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Nichols, William H.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Northup, Stephen L.
 Oakman, Henry P.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Packard, John B.
 Parks, Oren B.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Pierce, John N.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Prevoux, John J.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Quinn, Dennis J.

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.	Messrs. Stanley, Stephen
Reed, George A.	Stearns, George C.
Richards, James H.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Richmond, Albert E.	Stover, Martin L.
Riley, Thomas	Sullivan, Edward
Ripley, John B.	Sullivan, John H.
Rogers, George C.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Rowell, William R.	Swallow, George N.
Rugg, Charles P.	Taft, Edgar S.
Russell, Stillman	Thayer, Rufus A.
Sanger, Chester F.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Sanger, George P., Jr.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Shaw, Edward P.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Shepard, Charles H.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Shepard, George A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Slocum, George W.	White, William L., Jr.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wilkins, John H.
Smalley, Anthony	Witt, Charles T.
Smith, Henry O.	Wood, Samuel
Snow, Thomas	Woodward, Charles F.
Sohier, William D.	Worth, Ira A.
Spring, Charles E.	Wyckoff, William A.
Sprout, William B.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Stafford, John H.	

Yeas, 205.

The Resolve and article of amendment are as follows : —

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end, that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution, by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Article twenty-eight of the Amendments of the Constitution is hereby amended by striking out in the fourth line thereof the words, "being a pauper," and inserting in place thereof the words, "receiving or having received aid from any city or town;" and also by striking out in said fourth line the words, "if a pauper," so that the article, as amended, shall read as follows : —

ART. XXVIII. No person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and having been honorably discharged from such service, if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of receiving or having received aid from any city or town, or because of the non-payment of a poll tax.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, by inserting after the word "read" the word "intelligently," by inserting after the words "at sight" the words, "in a grammar school reader," and by striking out the word "simple" and inserting the word "ordinary," was considered. Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section four of chapter three hundred and forty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, relating to the employment of children."

After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Dearing of Braintree and Cook of Weymouth were rejected. On the question of substituting the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McEttrick; and, the roll being called, the substitute bill was rejected, by a vote of 65 yeas to 91 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Richard B.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Blume, Andreas
Bond, Nelson F.
Bonney, J. Dean
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, William H.
Carroll, Peter T.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clayton, Horace E.
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Crowell, Joshua
Crowley, John H.
Curtis, Francis C.
Eddy, Lyman R.
Frost, Henry

Messrs. Garvey, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Gray, Robert S.
Hale, William M.
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harvey, James W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Heslan, John E.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Leary, Edward J.
Marchant, Cornelius B.
McCooley, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.
McDonough, John H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.	Messrs. O'Mealey, John W.
McLaughlin, Daniel	O'Neil, John W.
McNary, William S.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Mead, Albert	Pratt, Harvey H.
Means, Robert F.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Mellen, James H.	Raymond, Francis H.
Monahan, William H.	Riley, Thomas
Moore, Michael J.	Snow, Thomas
Morse, I. Porter	Sullivan, John H.
Murphy, William H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Nolan, Joseph	Swallow, George N.
Norcross, J. Henry	Witt, Charles T.
Northup, Stephen L.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Gilman, Thomas K.
Alden, Jared F.	Glasgow, Edward B.
Alden, Thomas	Gordon, William, Jr.
Atherton, Ralph L.	Hamilton, Henry D.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Hanson, Charles H.
Barker, Thomas E.	Harris, Robert O.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Haskell, Forbes P.
Bennett, John O.	Henry, Robert
Berry, Francis T.	Hildreth, John
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Holman, Frank E.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Howe, Herbert W.
Bliss, George	Howes, Charles
Bowman, Robert H.	Johnson, Henry H.
Brewer, Edward W.	Kempton, David B.
Brown, Orland J.	Kimball, John W.
Burgess, John H.	Lane, Hiram B.
Clemence, George L.	Lattimore, Andrew B.
Conant, Nelson B.	Leach, William W.
Connell, Thomas H.	Lincoln, James D.
Conwell, David	Martin, James P.
Cutler, Nahum S.	McDonough, John J.
Cutting, George W.	Mendall, Noah F.
Dallinger, Frank W.	Merrill, John F.
Dame, Luther	Morison, Frank
Davis, Epes	Nichols, William H.
Davis, Joshua H.	Oakman, Henry P.
Dearing, T. Haven	Packard, John B.
Dewey, Henry S.	Pierce, John N.
Douglas, William S.	Pike, Baxter P.
Dubuque, Hugo A.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Edwards, John	Preble, William H.
Fottler, Jacob	Purrington, Ellis B.
Gardiner, Charles B.	Putnam, Charles C.
Giddings, Theodore	Reed, George A.

Messrs. Richmond, Albert E.	Messrs. Taft, Edgar S.
Rugg, Charles P.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Russell, Stillman	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Sanger, Chester F.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Sanger, George P., Jr.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Slocum, George W.	White, William L., Jr.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wilkins, John H.
Smalley, Anthony	Wood, Samuel
Smith, Henry O.	Woodward, Charles F.
Stafford, John H.	Worth, Ira A.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Sullivan, Edward	

Yeas, 65 ; nays, 91.

On this question, Messrs. Kimball of Lynn, Kemp of Cambridge, Holder of Lynn, Ferren of Stoneham, Keliher of Boston, Morse of Marlborough, Cronin of Worcester and Burke of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Perry of Rehoboth, Carter of Lowell, Stover of Haverhill, Shaw of Newburyport, Kittredge of Boston, Dodge of Wenham, Shepard of Sandisfield and Newhall of Sterling.

The report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the commissioners of public institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Slocum of Newton moved to amend, in section 3, line 5, by striking out the word "April," and inserting in place thereof the word "May." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Bill to regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, and recommending that it be recommitted to the committee on Fisheries and Game. The report was read and accepted, and the bill was accordingly recommitted.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. H. Shepard for legis-

lation authorizing the town of Danvers to pay bounty or military aid to certain soldiers, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Shaw of Newburyport.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 28, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, petition of the city of Malden for legislation to authorize said city to establish a grade of thirteen feet above the base line established by the city of Boston. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, remonstrances of Bela Smith and others, and Jonathan Arnold and others, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the practice of medicine. Practice of medicine.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The order laid over from yesterday, relative to adjournment over Monday, April 1, was rejected.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing legislation to properly protect witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of the city of Boston, under chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1886. Protection of witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of Boston.

The following order, offered by Mr. Lovell of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, consisting of nine on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess, to examine into the rates of compensation now allowed by law to the various officers, State and county, in this Commonwealth; the various modes in which such compensation is paid, and to report what changes are nec- Joint special committee, — rates of compensation of State and county officers.

essary in such rates of compensation, and what offices may be abolished; said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers, and shall report to the next General Court.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered, the question being on the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule:—

Sale of railroad
stock at public
auction.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of so amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes as to provide that all railroads, when granted authority to increase their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction.

After debate on the question of suspending the rule, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill; and, the roll being called, the House refused to suspend the rule, and the order was referred to the next General Court, by a vote of 102 yeas to 84 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, John O.
Blodgett, Percival
Blume, Andreas
• Bonney, J. Dean
Brewer, Edward W.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brooks, William H.
Carpenter, George N.
Clayton, Horace E.
Conant, Nelson B.
Connell, Thomas H.
Cook, Louis A.
Cronin, James M.
Crowell, Joshua
Crowley, John H.
Curtis, Francis C.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven
Dewey, Henry S.

Messrs. Douglas, William S.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fottler, Jacob
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Harris, Robert O.
Harvey, James W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Heslan, John E.
Holbrook, John D.
Holder, Langdon H.
Holman, Frank E.
Howland, Willard
Johnson, Henry H.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Lally, James, Jr.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Leary, Edward J.

Messrs. Lincoln, James D.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John J.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 Mellen, James H.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morison, Frank
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.
 Nolan, Joseph
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Northup, Stephen L.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perry, Charles
 Pike, Baxter P.

Messrs. Pratt, Harvey H.
 Preble, William H.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Richards, James H.
 Riley, Thomas
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Snow, Thomas
 Sohler, William D.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Sullivan, John H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John
 Alden, Jared F.
 Alden, Thomas
 Atherton, Ralph L.
 Ayres, George
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Bancroft, Lewis M.
 Barker, Thomas E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bicknell, Thomas W.
 Bigelow, Alden M.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Bliss, George
 Bottum, John B.
 Bowman, Robert H.
 Brooks, Horace S.
 Brown, Edward F.
 Brown, Orland J.
 Burgess, John H.
 Call, Charles A.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Messrs. Church, Moses D.
 Clemence, George L.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Cutting, George W.
 Davis, Epes
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Frost, Henry
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gould, John B.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Henry, Robert
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Hutchinson, John F.
 Keliher, Thomas J.

Messrs. Kemp, Horace G.	Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.
Kempton, David B.	Reed, George A.
Kimball, John W.	Ripley, John B.
Leach, William W.	Rogers, George C.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Sanger, Chester F.
McDonough, John H.	Shaw, Edward P.
Mead, Albert	Slocum, George W.
Means, Robert F.	Spring, Charles E.
Merrill, John F.	Stafford, John H.
Miller, Albert E.	Stearns, George C.
Newhall, Albert H.	Stover, Martin L.
Oakman, Henry P.	Swallow, George N.
Packard, John B.	Taft, Edgar S.
Parks, Oren B.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Perkins, George A.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Pillsbury, Omer	Wales, Abijah T.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	White, William L., Jr.
Plaisted, John W.	Wilkins, John H.
Porter, Charles F.	Witt, Charles T.
Potter, Lurin J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 102; nays, 84.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston:—

Joint committees.

Ordered, That joint committees be granted until Friday, April 12, in which to make final report upon matters now before them.

Bay State Beneficiary Association.

A report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of John C. Crosby for an amendment of the laws governing the Bay State Beneficiary Association, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reports:

Taxation of surplus funds of savings banks.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 as relates to the taxation of the surplus funds of savings banks, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation; and

Taxation of lines of telegraph companies.

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 as relates to

the taxation of telegraph companies having lines of wire running both within and without the Commonwealth, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

A report of the Senate committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-
maniacs and Inebriates, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference to the committee on Expenditures.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipso-
maniacs
and Inebriates.

A report of the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of E. H. Richardson for compensation for injuries received and expenses incurred in assisting the sheriff of Essex County to make an arrest, and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee on Prisons.

E. H. Richard-
son.

Bills :

To amend section 2 of chapter 171 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled, "An Act to supply the centre village of Leicester with water" (reported on a petition) ; and

Leicester water
supply.

To incorporate the town of Beverly Farms (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw) ; and a

Beverly Farms.

Resolve to further amend chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, providing for testimonials to soldiers and sailors (reported on a petition) ;

Soldiers and
sailors.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to amend an Act relating to the appointment of superintendents of streets in towns (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Stover of Haverhill, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On

Superintendents
of streets in
towns.

further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Eel fisheries in Wellfleet.

A Bill to repeal an Act to preserve the eel fisheries in Herring River and its tributaries in the town of Wellfleet (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Spayed dogs.

The Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs came down, with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Baker, Wheelock and Metcalf had been appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

Town of Mount Washington.

A petition of John C. Crosby to ratify and confirm proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held on March 25, 1889, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State Normal School at Westfield.

A remonstrance of E. S. Bradford and others of Springfield and vicinity against legislation providing for the erection of a new normal school at Westfield; and

Truant schools.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Manchester for the repeal of the law requiring commissioners of counties to erect and maintain a truant school or schools; Came down severally referred to the committee on Education. The subject-matter of the several petitions having been reported upon in the House, the petitions were severally placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Employer's liability.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, by inserting in section 1, and to be numbered clause 4, the words, "or by reason of the employment of incompetent fellow-workmen."

Manual training schools.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the establishment of manual training-schools of the primary and grammar school grades, in

cities and towns, to be supported in part by the Commonwealth, and petitions relative to the subject.

By Mr. Tripp of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 35 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to fix the number of hours registrars of voters shall be in session.

Registrars of voters.

By Mr. Ayres of Petersham, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Thomas I. Green and others for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen at fifty-four hours a week.

Hours of labor of women and minors.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling any railroad corporation in this Commonwealth to accept, in payment of fare on its road, a mileage ticket issued by any other railroad corporation in this Commonwealth, and to compel all such corporations to sell mileage tickets at a uniform rate.

Railroad corporations,—mileage tickets.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Greenfield.

Greenfield.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to voting as proxies, and the soliciting of proxy votes by officers of corporations, and the filing of lists of stockholders, ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Voting by proxy in corporations.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Haverhill.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill concerning the fees of pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second

time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Plymouth to raise money for the celebration of the completion of the National Monument to the Pilgrims, in Plymouth ;

To authorize Court Unity No. 7469, Ancient Order of Foresters, of Blackstone, to hold real and personal estate ;

To regulate the assessment and registration of voters ;

Enlarging and defining the powers of women appointed special commissioners ;

Relating to appeals from orders passed by boards of health concerning offensive trades ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In addition to an Act to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to schools for truant children, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing by statute that all fixtures, poles or other devices, designed for the support of electric wires operated by other than municipal corporations, shall be erected or placed upon buildings within this Commonwealth only with the consent of the owner or agent of such buildings, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of Essex County to borrow money for the purpose of establishing a truant school or schools ;

To authorize the city of Newburyport to discontinue certain common landing-places in said city and for other purposes ;

Relating to certificates of returns of death of soldiers and sailors who served in the War of the Rebellion ; and

To enable the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for the purpose of building a new city hall ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the refunding to James Donoghue of money paid by him as bondsman for Thomas F. Donoghue from the treasury of the county of Plymouth ;

Relating to further causes for divorce ; and

To amend an Act authorizing the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Northborough to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of Mary Goodnow ;

To incorporate the Lowell Police Relief Association ;

Relative to voting by proxy at meetings of street railway companies ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ;

Relative to the official signatures of assistant clerks of courts ;

Providing for additional clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Worcester ; and

To provide for the further and speedier publication of the laws ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the quarterly returns of railroad corporations was read a third time and considered. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend by striking out all

after the enacting clause, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Every railroad corporation operating a railroad within the Commonwealth shall transmit to the Board of Railroad Commissioners, quarterly, financial statements in such detail and at such times as said board may require; and such statements shall at reasonable times be opened to public inspection." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, at two minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Connell of Dracut, petition of the mayor of Lawrence, in aid of the petition of said city for exemption from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County. Referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Lawrence,—Essex County truant school.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, consisting of nine on the part of the House of Representatives, with such of the Senate as may join, be appointed to sit during the recess, to examine into the rates of compensation now allowed by law to the various officers, State and county, in this Commonwealth; the various modes in which such compensation is paid, and to report what changes are necessary in such rates of compensation, and what offices may be abolished; said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers, and shall report to the next General Court.

Joint special committee,—rates of compensation paid to State and county officers.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Ordered, That joint committees be granted until Friday, April 12, in which to make final report upon matters now before them.

Reports of joint committees.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the separate management of savings banks and of national banks (Mr. Barry of Boston, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Separate management of savings banks and national banks.

Bills :**Birds and game.**

For the better preservation of birds and game (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate) ;

Fire department of Lowell.

To provide for establishing the term of office of officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell (reported on a petition) ; and

Avon water supply.

To supply the town of Avon with water (reported on petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Williams College.

A petition of the president and trustees of Williams College for authority to transfer certain real estate, and funds for the care of the same, to such persons or corporations as may be deemed advisable, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

*Reports of Committees.***Employment of children.**

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to amending chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the employment of children, so as to more effectually accomplish the objects of said Act, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Labor.

Insurance Commissioner,—taxation of insurance companies.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of Part 1 of the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner as relates to the taxation of insurance companies, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

City Hospital of Quincy.

By Mr. Adams of Quincy, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the city hospital of the city of Quincy. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Merrill of Quincy, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for

concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such amendment of section 1 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes as to more clearly define what may be a lawful entertainment under license regularly issued under section 105 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, and known as Sunday entertainments. Sunday entertainments.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, Sandisfield. leave to withdraw, on the petition of George A. Shepard that certain proceedings of the town of Sandisfield, in relation to the manner of collecting the taxes assessed in 1888, may be confirmed and made valid.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 396 of the Public Statutes, entitled, "An Act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions." Claims for pensions.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the appointment of a State historian, whose duty it shall be to collect and complete, ready for publication, a history of the part taken by the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the War of the Rebellion. State historian, — Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the War of the Rebellion.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the acts of the acting city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Woburn. Woburn.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the holding of the superior court for the county of Franklin. Superior court for the county of Franklin.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the street commissioners of the city of Boston to extend West Chester Park Street, as a highway to the Harvard bridge, and to establish the grade thereof. Boston, — grade of West Chester Park Street.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (recommitted) in favor of James Holehouse ought to pass in a new draft, with James Holehouse, — records of Massachusetts volunteers.

the title, "Resolves declaring the Records of Massachusetts Volunteers, 1861 to 1865, unofficial, on petition of James Holehouse, who has been erroneously represented as a deserter."

Salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of Bristol County.

By Mr. Sobier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of the county of Bristol.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Hinsdale fire district.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale ought to pass.

Barney McCabe.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Barney McCabe ought to pass.

Salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Beverly Farms.

On motion of Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, the Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 9, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To change the name of the Christian Union Church of Stoneham (which originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Medford to improve its water supply, and issue bonds for the payment and refunding of a portion of its water debt ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Northern Middlesex ;

To repeal an Act to preserve the eel fisheries in Herring River and its tributaries in the town of Wellfleet ;

To authorize the Ludlow Manufacturing Company to supply the town of Ludlow with water, and with electricity for lighting and other purposes ; and

To amend an Act relating to the appointment of superintendents of streets in towns ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve, in favor of Henry J. Coolidge (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887 by inserting in section 1, and to be numbered clause 4, the words, "or by reason of the employment of incompetent fellow-workmen," was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the establishment of manual training schools of the primary and grammar school grades, in cities and towns, to be supported in part by the Commonwealth, and a petition relative to the subject ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 35 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to fix the number of hours registrars of voters shall be in session ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Thomas I. Green and others for legislation fixing the hours of labor for women and minors under eighteen at fifty-four hours a week ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling any railroad corporation in this Commonwealth to accept, in payment of fare on its road, a mileage ticket issued by any other railroad corporation in this Commonwealth ; and to compel all such corporations to sell mileage tickets at a uniform rate ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of John C. Crosby for an amendment of the laws governing the Bay State Beneficiary Association, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Greenfield :

Relative to the voting as proxies and the soliciting of proxy votes by officers of corporations, and the filing of lists of stockholders ; and

To amend section 2 of chapter 171 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled, " An Act to supply the centre village of Leicester with water ;" and the

Resolve to further amend chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, providing for testimonials to soldiers and sailors ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of Essex County to borrow money for the purpose of establishing a truant school or schools ; and

To authorize the city of Newburyport to discontinue certain common landing places in said city, and for other purposes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to certificates of returns of death of soldiers and sailors who served in the War of the Rebellion ; and

To enable the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for the purpose of building a new city hall ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company was read a third time, and considered. Mr. McCoey of Blackstone moved to amend, in section 1, line 15, by striking out the word " seven," and inserting in place thereof the word " six ;" also, in section 2, by striking out the words, " upon its passage." and inserting in place thereof the words, " on the first day of Janu-

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ary, eighteen hundred and ninety." After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, at twenty-six minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 1, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Highway Statistics.

Highway statistics of Sheffield, Pittsfield and Lee.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting certain statistics concerning highways in the towns of Sheffield, Pittsfield and Lee, in addition to those previously transmitted, in accordance with an order adopted by both branches of the Legislature. The communication was read, and the statistics were referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges and sent up for concurrence.

Leave Asked to Introduce a Bill.

Promissory notes falling due April 22, 1889.

Mr. Qua of Lowell asked leave to introduce a Bill in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April, A.D. 1889. The bill was read, and, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the consideration of the request to introduce the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Petition Presented.

Limit of length of leaders to fish-ponds.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of B. L. Gifford and others for legislation to limit the length of leaders to fish ponds, weirs, traps, fykes, etc., to one thousand feet from high-water mark within the waters of Buzzard's Bay. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule: —

Sidewalk assessments.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 50 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of the

expense of the construction of sidewalks, so that the abutters on each side of the street, when the walk is used on one side only, shall bear a portion of the expense of said walk.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bowman of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston :—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 109 of the Public Statutes, relating to companies for the transmission of intelligence by electricity, so as to provide for the bringing of companies for the transmission of intelligence otherwise than by electricity under the operation of the statutes. Transmission of intelligence by electricity.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing three thousand copies of so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health as relates to the investigations carried on under the provisions of chapter 375 of the Acts of the year 1888. State Board of Health.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William D. Curtis and others for an Act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of Lenox ; Savings bank in Lenox.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to divorce, so as to give the courts discretionary power to enter a decree absolute in certain cases ; and Divorce.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for an Act requiring the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to cease the carriage of freight to East Boston, on its branch tracks through said city, on and after January 1, in the year 1891 ; Cambridge,—Boston and Albany Railroad Company.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to increase the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of Boston.

State Prison.

A Resolve to provide for the enlargement of the yard at the State Prison, and for other purposes (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Real estate of a deceased wife or husband.

The House Bill relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Boston.—Commissioners of Public Institutions.

The Senate Bill to establish the Commissioners of Public Institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendment at [A] and concurred in the House amendment at [B]. The bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Compensation of witnesses.

A Bill increasing the compensation of witnesses, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Protection of witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of Boston.

The House order relative to legislation to properly protect witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of the city of Boston, under chapter 354 of the Acts of 1886, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Third district court of Worcester County.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Quincy.

By Mr. Means of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 44 of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the municipal indebtedness of the city of Quincy.

Constitutional amendment,—change of residence of voters within the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to

prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County.

Treasurer of
Plymouth
County.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the appointment of a State historian, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

State historian.

On motions of Mr. Barry of Boston, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the separate management of savings banks and of national banks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Separate man-
agement of sav-
ings banks and
national banks.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridges, was taken from the table, and, after debate, was accepted, in concurrence, by a vote of 93 to 32.

Boston and
Cambridge, —
Charles River
bridges.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring railroads to display lights at all grade crossings where flagmen are stationed, when trains pass after nightfall, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Display of
lights at grade
crossings on
railroads, after
nightfall.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

- Bills enacted.** Engrossed bills :
 Concerning the Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers ;
 To abolish the Hopland school district in the town of Lee ;
 In relation to the returns of births and deaths ;
 To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ;
 Concerning the property of married women ;
 To provide for the further and speedier publication of the laws ; and
 Relative to the official signatures of assistant clerks of courts ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 To incorporate the Lowell Police Relief Association ;
 Relative to voting by proxy at meetings of street railway companies ;
 To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol ;
 Providing for additional clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ; and
 To authorize the town of Northborough to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of Mary Goodnow ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.
- Resolve passed.** An engrossed Resolve, in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

- Orders of the Day.** Reports :
 Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George A. Shepard that certain proceedings of the town of Sandisfield, in relation to the manner of collecting the taxes assessed in 1888, may be confirmed and made valid ; and
 Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such amendment of section 1 of chapter

98 of the Public Statutes as to more clearly define what may be a lawful entertainment under license regularly issued under section 105 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, and known as Sunday entertainments ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 396 of Public Statutes, entitled, "An Act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions," was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of the county of Bristol ;

Relating to the holding of the superior court for the county of Franklin ;

To confirm the acts of the acting city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Woburn ;

To authorize the street commissioners of the city of Boston to extend West Chester Park Street, as a highway to the Harvard bridge, and to establish the grade thereof ;

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for establishing the term of office of officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell ; and

To supply the town of Avon with water ; and

Resolves :

Declaring the Records of Massachusetts Volunteers, 1861 to 1865, unofficial, on the petition of James Holhouse, who has been erroneously represented as a deserter ; and

In favor of Barney McCabe ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill for the better preservation of birds and game was read a second time, and considered. Amendments moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Greenfield was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 171 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled, "An Act to supply the centre village of Leicester with water," was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the voting as proxies and the soliciting of proxy votes by officers of corporations, and the filing of lists of stockholders, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Church of Cambridge moved to amend by the addition of a new section, to be numbered section five, as follows: "Section 5. This act shall not affect any suit now pending before the supreme judicial court of the Commonwealth." After debate, the amendment was rejected. Mr. Henry of Fall River moved to amend by striking out in section 3, lines 2, 3 and 4, the words, "Not less than thirty days and not more than sixty days prior to the annual meeting of stockholders," and inserting the same words after the word "thereof," in line 5 of section 3; also, by inserting in line 6 of section 3, after the word "cause," the words, "within fifteen days." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, at twelve minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 2, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The annual report of the Auditor of Accounts was received, and was referred to the committee on Finance. Auditor of accounts.

Introduced on Leave.

The request of Mr. Qua of Lowell, laid over from yesterday, to introduce a Bill in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April, A.D. 1889, was granted, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Promissory notes falling due April 22, 1889.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Henry A. Emerson and others for an amendment of chapter 146 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester. Public cemeteries in Winchester.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of the selectmen of Grafton that said town be authorized to fund its existing indebtedness. Grafton.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 109 of the Public Statutes, relating to companies for the transmission of intelligence by electricity, so as to provide for the bringing of companies for the transmission of intelligence otherwise than by electricity under the operation of the statutes. Transmission of intelligence by electricity.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Contracts of
bank officers.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to forbidding, under a penalty, that any officer or clerk in a bank shall represent, as agent or otherwise, any party other than the bank in the making of a contract in which the bank is to be interested ;

Change of text-
books in public
schools.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that a majority of the school committee in cities and towns may be sufficient to effect a change in the text-books used in the public schools thereof ;

Elections in
cities.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that, in all cities of over one hundred thousand inhabitants, elections for municipal officers shall be held on the same day as the State election ;

Passenger ele-
vators.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that it shall be unlawful for any individual, firm or corporation, to employ any person under eighteen years of age for the care, custody or running of any freight or passenger elevator ; and that a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, be affixed to a violation of the law providing such employment ; and

Crossing of the
tracks of steam
railroads by
street,railways.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to granting authority to street railway companies, authorized to use electricity as a motive power, to elevate their tracks for the purpose of avoiding the crossings at grade of the tracks of steam railroads ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Habitual
truants.

A Bill concerning habitual truants (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Newburyport
sewerage.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. The House concurred in the amendments, under a suspension of the rule, moved

by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of Charles S. Wilder for the payment to him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth of back bounty had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Charles S.
Wilder.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, November, 1888, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Returns of
licenses.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 18 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as to reduce the maximum punishment therein named, or of so amending section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes as to increase the maximum punishment therein named.

Penalties for
violating the
laws relating to
intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a commission of not more than three persons, to inquire into the practical working of license and prohibitory laws and constitutional prohibition in the several States and foreign countries, and to report the result of their inquiries in print to the House, if in session, or to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, for the information of citizens.

License, pro-
hibitory laws
and constitu-
tional prohibi-
tion.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McDonough of Fall River, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Probate court
for Plymouth
County.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House should concur in the

Real estate of a
deceased wife
or husband.

Senate amendments to the House Bill relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the rules were suspended, and the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Joanna Gallaher.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rosanna Lockaby and others, heirs-at-law of Nancy Dallaher, otherwise called Joanna Gallaher, for the payment to them of a sum of money belonging to the estate of said Joanna Gallaher, and deposited in the State treasury by a public administrator.

Composition with creditors in insolvency.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to composition with creditors in insolvency.

Filing of accounts, of administrators, guardians and others.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the time for the filing of accounts of administrators, guardians and others.

Probate accounts, — partition proceedings.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the settlement of accounts in probate courts of executors, administrators and agents for absent persons interested in partition proceedings.

Settlement of estates of persons presumed to be dead.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the settlement of the estates of persons presumed to be dead by reason of absence of fourteen years, with due protection to the rights and interests of such persons, should they afterward appear alive.

Probate notices to devisees and legatees.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the laws relating to the probate of testate estates that notice shall be given by the probate court to all devisees and legatees of any devise or bequest.

Nets and gill-nets in the harbor of Marion.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. W. Everest and others for authority to set nets and gill-nets in Marion harbor.

Fraternal beneficiary associations.

By Mr. Bancroft of Reading, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 429 of the Acts of the

year 1888, relating to the death fund of fraternal beneficiary associations.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting gas companies incorporated under the laws of other States from doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign gas companies.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. A. Coburn and others, asking for further legislation in regard to fire escapes.

Fire escapes.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the care of the insane and inebriates.

Care of the insane and inebriates.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill amending an Act authorizing the formation of corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate.

Corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to take a sum of money in trust, under the will of George Smith.

Massachusetts Universalist Convention.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill in relation to the appointment of auditors by probate courts.

Appointment of auditors by probate courts.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to conveyances of property by married women deserted by, or living apart from, their husbands.

Conveyances of property by married women deserted by, or living apart from, their husbands.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill providing for the appointment of election officers in the city of Woburn.

Election officers in the city of Woburn.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill for the better protection of infants.

Protection of infants.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney of the middle district ought to pass.

District attorney of the middle district.

**Agricultural
Experiment
Station.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a new building at the Agricultural Experiment Station ought to pass.

**Enlargement of
the yard at the
State Prison.**

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for the enlargement of the yard at the State Prison, and for other purposes, ought to pass

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**Joseph Mor-
dette.**

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Joseph Mordette.

**Council of Ad-
ministration of
the Grand
Army of the
Republic.**

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Council of Administration of the Grand Army of the Republic, in the department of Massachusetts. (Messrs. Hathorne and E. J. Donovan, of the Senate, dissenting.)

**Savings bank
commissioners.**

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, increasing the number of savings bank commissioners, and to provide for a chairman thereof.

**State Industrial
School for
Girls.**

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the State Industrial School for Girls.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

**William J.
Savage.**

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of William J. Savage ought not to pass. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Motions to Reconsider.

**Charles River
bridges.**

Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridges. After debate, the motion to reconsider was rejected, by a vote of 55 to 99.

**Sunday enter-
tainments.**

Mr. Means of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the

committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such amendment of section 1 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes as to more clearly define what may be a lawful entertainment, under license regularly issued under section 105 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, and known as Sunday entertainments. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Lally of Milford, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill to establish the Commissioners of Public Institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on receding from the House amendment at "A," in which the Senate non-concurred, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to biennial sessions of the Legislature, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Biennial sessions of the Legislature.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of the City Hospital in the city of Quincy ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester ;

To authorize the selectmen of the town of Bourne to sell the right to take alewives in said town at public auction ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the enlargement of the jail at Newburyport ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional drainage loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William D. Curtis and others for an Act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of Lenox ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to divorce, so as to give the courts discretionary power to enter a decree absolute in certain cases ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for an Act requiring the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to cease the carriage of freight to East Boston, on its branch tracks through said city, on and after January 1, in the year 1891 ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County ;

To amend section 44 of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the municipal indebtedness of the city of Quincy ;

To increase the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the fees of pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend, in section 2, by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words, "all other Acts inconsistent herewith," and inserting in place thereof the words, "so much of chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two as relates to the pilotage in and out of Wood's Holl harbor." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To annex a portion of the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon ;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of the county of Bristol ;

Relating to the holding of the superior court for the county of Franklin ;

To confirm the acts of the acting city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Woburn ; and

To authorize the street commissioners of the city of Boston to extend West Chester Park Street, as a highway to the Harvard bridge, and to establish the grade thereof ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for establishing the term of office of officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell ; and

To supply the town of Avon with water ; and

Resolves :

To further amend chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, providing for testimonials to soldiers and sailors ; and

In favor of Barney McCabe ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to

the appointment of a State historian, whose duty it shall be to collect and complete ready for publication the history of the part taken by the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the War of the Rebellion, was considered. Mr. Carpenter of Brookline moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian." Mr. Coveney of Cambridge moved to amend the substitute bill, in lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words, "such time as the Governor and Council shall direct," and inserting in place thereof the words, "two years." Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend the substitute bill, by adding at the end thereof the words, "not to exceed, when completed, two volumes of six hundred printed pages each." Pending the amendments, Mr. McNary moved that the report be recommended. The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, at thirteen minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 3, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. A. E. Winship of Somerville.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, —

Voted, That, when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet on Friday next, at one o'clock P.M.

Adjournment
over Thursday,
April 4,—Fast
Day.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, petition of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts for an amendment of the charter of said corporation, so as to increase the number of trustees, and for other purposes. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of the Quincy Street Railway Company for authority to lease its road and property to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Quincy Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Alvin F. Pease, E. G. Cobb and the county commissioners of Berkshire County that the counties of Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire may be authorized to unite in establishing one truant school for all of said counties, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Henry of Fall River.

Truant school
for the counties
of Hampden,
Hampshire,
Franklin and
Berkshire.

Reports:

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compensating all companies of the volunteer militia, and the officers thereof,

Compensation
of militia at-
tending annual
drill.

which suffered from inadequate compensation for traveling expenses incurred in transportation of troops to attend the annual drill in October, 1888 ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw :

Maximum rates
of passenger
fares on rail-
roads.

On the petition of Frederick F. Dougherty and others, in aid of an order to regulate maximum rates of passenger fares on railroads ; and

Construction
and operating
expenses of
railroads.

On the petition of John H. Mahoney and others for legislation defining what expenses are to be charged to construction, and what to operating expenses of railroads ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

Rates of pas-
senger fares on
railroads.

On an order relative to limiting the maximum rate of passenger fares upon all trunk or main lines of railroads, whether leased or otherwise, and operated solely by steam power, to one cent per mile upon all distances not exceeding fifteen miles from the State House in Boston ; one and one-half of a cent per mile for all distances over fifteen and not exceeding twenty-five miles from said State House ; and two cents per mile on all other distances ; and, further, to prevent discrimination or difference in price of tickets or fares covering the same distances on any such railroad, and a petition relative to the same subject ; and

Railroad earn-
ings, expenses
and dividends.

On an order relative to enacting more definite law : (1) Defining expenses to be charged to construction account and what to operating expenses on the books of a railroad ; (2) To prevent the diverting of traffic or earnings of one railroad to the benefit of another ; (3) Reciting the purposes for which the capital stock of a railroad may be increased ; (4) Regulating the payment of dividends, so that dividends shall be paid only from annual net earnings of the railroad whose stockholders receive the same ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday next.

Bills :

Savings banks,
—bonds of rail-
road companies.

Authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies (reported on an order) ;

Hinsdale fire
district.

Concerning a water supply for the fire district and inhabitants of the town of Hinsdale (reported on a petition) ; and

To extend the time for the organization of the Boston Water Trust and Investment Company (reported on a petition);

Boston Water Trust and Investment Company.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills:

Relative to military aid; and

Providing for the payment of State aid;

State aid.

(Severally reported, in part, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State aid to invalid pensioners and their dependent relatives, and on orders relative to the same subject); and

A Resolve in favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater (reported on a petition);

Walpole and Bridgewater.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 50 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of the expense of the construction of sidewalks, so that the abutters on each side of the street, when the walk is used on one side only, shall bear a portion of the expense of said walk, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Assessment of the expense of the construction of sidewalks.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Conant of Littleton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to assessment and apportionment of poll taxes.

Assessment and apportionment of poll taxes.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the purchase and distribution, among the libraries of the Commonwealth and otherwise, of copies of the "History of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Framing and Promulgation of the Constitution of the United States," as celebrated at Philadelphia in September of 1887.

"History of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Framing and Promulgation of the Constitution of the United States."

Senate amendments to the House Bill relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the rules were suspended, and the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Joanna Gallaher.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rosanna Lockaby and others, heirs-at-law of Nancy Dallaher, otherwise called Joanna Gallaher, for the payment to them of a sum of money belonging to the estate of said Joanna Gallaher, and deposited in the State treasury by a public administrator.

Composition with creditors in insolvency.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to composition with creditors in insolvency.

Filing of accounts, of administrators, guardians and others.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the time for the filing of accounts of administrators, guardians and others.

Probate accounts, — partition proceedings.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the settlement of accounts in probate courts of executors, administrators and agents for absent persons interested in partition proceedings.

Settlement of estates of persons presumed to be dead.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the settlement of the estates of persons presumed to be dead by reason of absence of fourteen years, with due protection to the rights and interests of such persons, should they afterward appear alive.

Probate notices to devisees and legatees.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the laws relating to the probate of testate estates that notice shall be given by the probate court to all devisees and legatees of any devise or bequest.

Nets and gill-nets in the harbor of Marion.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. W. Everest and others for authority to set nets and gill-nets in Marion harbor.

Fraternal beneficiary associations.

By Mr. Bancroft of Reading, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 429 of the Acts of the

year 1888, relating to the death fund of fraternal beneficiary associations.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting gas companies incorporated under the laws of other States from doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign gas companies.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. A. Coburn and others, asking for further legislation in regard to fire escapes.

Fire escapes.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the care of the insane and inebriates.

Care of the insane and inebriates.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill amending an Act authorizing the formation of corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate.

Corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to take a sum of money in trust, under the will of George Smith.

Massachusetts Universalist Convention.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill in relation to the appointment of auditors by probate courts.

Appointment of auditors by probate courts.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to conveyances of property by married women deserted by, or living apart from, their husbands.

Conveyances of property by married women deserted by, or living apart from, their husbands.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill providing for the appointment of election officers in the city of Woburn.

Election officers in the city of Woburn.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill for the better protection of infants.

Protection of infants.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney of the middle district ought to pass.

District attorney of the middle district.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a new building at the Agricultural Experiment Station ought to pass.

Enlargement of
the yard at the
State Prison.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for the enlargement of the yard at the State Prison, and for other purposes, ought to pass

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Joseph Mor-
dette.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Joseph Mordette.

Council of Ad-
ministration of
the Grand
Army of the
Republic.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Council of Administration of the Grand Army of the Republic, in the department of Massachusetts. (Messrs. Hathorne and E. J. Donovan, of the Senate, dissenting.)

Savings bank
commissioners.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, increasing the number of savings bank commissioners, and to provide for a chairman thereof.

State Industrial
School for
Girls.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the State Industrial School for Girls.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

William J.
Savage.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of William J. Savage ought not to pass. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Motions to Reconsider.

Charles River
bridges.

Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayors of Boston and Cambridge for extension of the time for widening the draws in Charles River bridges. After debate, the motion to reconsider was rejected, by a vote of 55 to 99.

Sunday enter-
tainments.

Mr. Means of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the

committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such amendment of section 1 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes as to more clearly define what may be a lawful entertainment, under license regularly issued under section 105 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, and known as Sunday entertainments. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Lally of Milford, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill to establish the Commissioners of Public Institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on receding from the House amendment at "A," in which the Senate non-concurred, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to biennial sessions of the Legislature, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Biennial sessions of the Legislature.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of the City Hospital in the city of Quincy ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Worcester ;

To authorize the selectmen of the town of Bourne to sell the right to take alewives in said town at public auction ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the enlargement of the jail at Newburyport ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional drainage loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William D. Curtis and others for an Act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of Lenox ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to divorce, so as to give the courts discretionary power to enter a decree absolute in certain cases ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for an Act requiring the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to cease the carriage of freight to East Boston, on its branch tracks through said city, on and after January 1, in the year 1891 ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County ;

To amend section 44 of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the municipal indebtedness of the city of Quincy ;

To increase the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the fees of pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend, in section 2, by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words, "all other Acts inconsistent herewith," and inserting in place thereof the words, "so much of chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two as relates to the pilotage in and out of Wood's Holl harbor." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To annex a portion of the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon ;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of the county of Bristol ;

Relating to the holding of the superior court for the county of Franklin ;

To confirm the acts of the acting city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Woburn ; and

To authorize the street commissioners of the city of Boston to extend West Chester Park Street, as a highway to the Harvard bridge, and to establish the grade thereof ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for establishing the term of office of officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell ; and

To supply the town of Avon with water ; and

Resolves :

To further amend chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, providing for testimonials to soldiers and sailors ; and

In favor of Barney McCabe ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to

Messrs. Stimpson, Daniel P.	Messrs. Wardwell, J. Otis
Stover, Martin L.	White, William L., Jr.
Sullivan, Edward	Witt, Charles T.
Swallow, George N.	Wood, Samuel
Taft, Edgar S.	Woodward, Charles F.
Tripp, Pelatiah R.	Wyckoff, William A.
Turner, Henry E., Jr.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 146.

The Resolve and article of amendment are as follows :—

Resolved, by both Houses, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment, and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end, that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

No person, otherwise qualified to vote in an election for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives, shall, by reason of a change of residence within the Commonwealth, be disqualified from voting for said officers in the city or town from which he has removed his residence, until the expiration of six calendar months from the time of such removal.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, at three minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned, until Friday, at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, April 5, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. McCall of Winchester:—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Mercantile Affairs and Cities be authorized to report in print the evidence, arguments of counsel, and such other matters as they may deem pertinent, which may be presented to them at the hearings of said committee on the orders and petitions relative to the placing of electric wires underground.

Joint special
committee on
Mercantile
Affairs and
Cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Manufactures.

A Bill to authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors, and the widows of soldiers and sailors, who served in the army or navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion (reported on an order, a bill introduced on leave in the House, and on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Soldiers and
sailors.

The House Bill to provide for the passage of vessels through the draws of certain bridges over Charles River came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Charles River
bridges.

The House order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 109 of the Public Statutes, relating to companies for the transmission of intelligence by electricity, so as to provide for the bringing of companies for the transmission of intelligence otherwise than by electricity under the

Transmission of
intelligence by
electricity.

operation of the Statutes, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Promissory
notes falling due
April 22, 1889.

The Bill (on leave) in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April, A.D. 1889, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Joint special
committee,—
rates of com-
pensation paid
to State and
county officers.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess, to examine into the rates of compensation now allowed by law to the various officers, State and county, in this Commonwealth; the various modes in which such compensation is paid, and to report what changes are necessary in such rates of compensation, and what offices may be abolished.

Reports of Committees.

Vacancies in
boards of alder-
men and com-
mon councils of
cities.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to filling vacancies in boards of aldermen or city councils. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Malden.

By Mr. Means of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to establish a grade in the city of Malden.

Taking of fish
in North River.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the taking of fish in North River ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Clerk of the
police court of
Newburyport.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newburyport.

Clerk of the
police court of
Fitchburg.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Federal bank-
rupt law.

By Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, Resolutions relating to the enactment of a Federal Bankrupt Law. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve to provide for surveying lands

of the Commonwealth at the Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve to provide for the construction of a building to be used as a school-room at the State Prison in Boston. State Prison in Boston.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of certain settlers occupying lands in the Madawaska Territory affected by the treaty of Washington. Settlers occupying lands in Madawaska Territory.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the appointment of an officer for the oversight of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 17, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day. Oversight of roads and bridges.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To prohibit sales on street cars by minors under the age of ten years ; Bills enacted.

To amend an Act to provide for the free instruction of deaf mutes or deaf children ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ;

In aid of the Hospital Cottages for Children in Baldwinville in the town of Templeton ;

Relative to the rights of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased wife or husband ;

Providing for the appointment of election officers in the city of Woburn ;

To change the method of electing the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham ; and

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To enable the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for the purpose of building a new city hall ;

To amend section 2 of chapter 171 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled, " An Act to supply the Centre Village of Leicester with water ; "

Relating to certificates of returns of deaths of soldiers and sailors who served in the War of the Rebellion ; and

Relative to the voting as proxies, and the soliciting of proxy votes by officers of corporations, and the filing of lists of stockholders ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Ann Noonan (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the purchase and distribution, among the libraries of the Commonwealth and otherwise, of copies of the " History of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Framing and Promulgation of the Constitution of the United States," as celebrated at Philadelphia in September of 1887 ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the protection of lobsters, and of so amending chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to provide that the possession alone shall not be *prima facie* evidence to convict ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the employment of children, so as to more effectually accomplish the objects of said Act ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to secure the correct and complete assessment of shares of stock in foreign corporations ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compensating all companies of the volunteer militia, and the officers thereof, which suffered from inadequate compensation for traveling expenses incurred in transportation of troops to attend the annual drill in October, 1888 ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of John H. Mahoney and others for legislation defining what expenses are to be charged to construction, and what to operating expenses, of railroads ; and

On the petition of Frederick F. Dougherty and others, in aid of an order to regulate maximum rates of passenger fares on railroads ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to limiting the maximum rates of passenger fares upon all trunk or main lines of railroads, whether leased or otherwise, and operated solely by steam power ; and

On an order relative to enacting more definite law concerning railroad expenses, earnings and dividends ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to assessment and apportionment of poll taxes, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Bills :

To supply the town of Provincetown with water ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex ;

Authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies ; and

Concerning a water supply for the fire district and inhabitants of the town of Hinsdale ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to the appointment of auditors by probate courts ;

Amending an Act authorizing the formation of corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate ; and

To enable the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to take a sum of money in trust, under the will of George Smith;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the district attorney of the middle district ;

Concerning habitual truants ; and

Concerning the fees of pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor ; and

Resolves :

Providing for a new building at the Agricultural Experiment Station ; and

To provide for the enlargement of the yard at the State Prison, and for other purposes ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Resolutions relative to the protection of Provincetown harbor by the construction of a permanent dike across the western portion thereof were adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Whereas, Provincetown harbor in this Commonwealth is in imminent danger of serious and almost irreparable injury from the continued inroads of drifting sand and from the threatened breach by the sea of Long Point, the narrow sandy barrier forming the western terminus of the harbor ; and

Whereas, Provincetown harbor is one of the largest, safest, and most commodious harbors on the Atlantic coast of the United States, and its protection and preservation is a matter of national importance, and properly within the jurisdiction of the United States ;

Resolved, That the accompanying memorial, addressed to the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, be signed by the president of the Senate and by the speaker of the House of Representatives, and that the secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby instructed to transmit copies of the accompanying memorial to the presiding officers of both houses of

Congress, to the senators and members of Congress from this Commonwealth, and to the secretary of war at Washington, D. C.

MEMORIAL.

To the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.

The Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, present this *Memorial*: —

1. Provincetown harbor, at the extremity of Cape Cod in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is the only harbor of refuge open to sea-going vessels between Vineyard Sound and Boston harbor. The harbor is commodious and completely land-locked, affording a safe anchorage for thousands of vessels at one time, and is one of the largest and most easily accessible harbors on the Atlantic coast of the United States. The harbor is continually used by sea-going vessels. A careful record, kept by the keeper of Wood End Light-house, near the entrance to the harbor, shows that, during the years eighteen hundred and seventy-six, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven and eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, when the keeping of the record was required by the officers of the United States, twenty-three thousand eight hundred and sixteen sea-going vessels passed in and out of Provincetown harbor, of which number eleven hundred and seventy-five were steamers. The number of vessels using the harbor has not decreased since eighteen hundred and seventy-eight. Apart from its importance as a harbor of refuge, Provincetown is the home port of a fleet that lands at Provincetown a fishery product exceeding in value eight hundred thousand dollars annually.

2. Provincetown harbor is semi-circular in form, with sandy shores, the western half of which is formed by Long Point, a narrow point of land, less than one hundred feet in width, several miles in length, composed of loose beach sand. The preservation of Long Point is essential to the preservation of the harbor. The action of the wind and waves has so reduced the width of the "Point" that some effective measures for its protection are absolutely necessary. At a point a little north of Wood End Light the "Point" has been reduced in width from one hundred and thirty-two feet in eighteen

hundred and thirty-five to twenty-six feet in eighteen hundred and eighty-nine. The breach of Long Point at that place is the question of but a few years.

3. Into the western portion of Provincetown harbor, adjacent to Long Point, so called, flow several creeks, the sources of which are among the loose sand hills in the rear of the town. The loosely held sand blown from the hills into the creeks is continually carried into the harbor, in quantities so great that the anchorage in the harbor has been perceptibly lessened. The inroads of drifting sand advanced the shoal ground of the western harbor, in the period from eighteen hundred and thirty-five to eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, at least two hundred and fifty feet into the former deep waters of the harbor. Since eighteen hundred and sixty-eight the advance of drifting sand into the harbor has been even more rapid. Where, in eighteen hundred and thirty-five, vessels at anchor floated at low water in six to ten fathoms of water, sand bars now exist covered only by six or seven feet of water at high tide.

4. The preservation of Provincetown harbor from the existing dangers is absolutely necessary. A substantial permanent earth dike, of some five thousand feet in length, constructed across the creeks flowing into said harbor, extending from Stevens Point, near the western part of the settled portion of Provincetown, across House Point Island to some point southerly from Wood End Light-house on Long Point, would be an effective remedy for the existing defects,—a safeguard against the breach of the “Point,” and a barrier to the further inroads of drifting sand through the creeks.

5. The foregoing facts are derived from oral and written evidence submitted at Provincetown to a committee of this Legislature, which visited Provincetown harbor and viewed the premises, and heard the parties upon whose representations of danger to the harbor the committee of this Legislature acted.

6. To the end, therefore, that Provincetown harbor may be protected from injury, and that appropriate protective works may be constructed in said harbor, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with this memorial, does most respectfully urge upon Congress the appropriation of a liberal sum of money, sufficient to construct a substantial permanent dike across the western portion of Provincetown harbor, as set forth in this memorial.

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The Bill providing that certain officers of savings banks shall not be cashiers of national or State banks or trust companies was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, at twenty-five minutes past one o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, April 8, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. C. B. Linn of Danvers.

Special Report of the Auditor of Accounts.

Auditor of ac-
counts,—
expenses of
advertising
committee
hearings.

A communication was received from the Auditor of Accounts, transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them, from the beginning of the present session to the first day of April. Referred to the committee on Finance.

Petition Presented.

Town of
Berkley.

By Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, petition of the selectmen of Berkley for legislation to legalize certain proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders, laid over from Friday, were adopted, in concurrence:—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Joint special
committee on
Mercantile
Affairs and
Cities.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Mercantile Affairs and Cities be authorized to report in print the evidence, arguments of counsel, and such other matters as they may deem pertinent, which may be presented to them at the hearings of said committee on the orders and petitions relative to the placing of electric wires underground.

Reports:

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary:

Danvers Luna-
tic Hospital.

On the eleventh annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital; and

On the fifty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and the eleventh annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester ;

Worcester Lunatic Hospital,—
Worcester Insane Asylum.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of Lowell for a revision of the charter of said city ;

Lowell.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for the sale to the highest bidder at public auction of licenses of the first five classes for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Sale of liquor licenses at public auction.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who may hereafter die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same ;

Burial of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mount Hope Cemetery in Boston.

A Bill to confirm proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Revere, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Revere.

The House Bill to amend an Act authorizing the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, "Bill to extend the time for the construction and completion of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company.

East Side Street
Railway Com-
pany of Brock-
ton.

A petition of The East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and its real and personal property, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Reports of Committees.

Bourne Ceme-
tery Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Barker of Malden, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Bourne Cemetery Association.

Salary of justice
of the fourth
district court of
Plymouth.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Plymouth.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Cremation of
garbage.

On motions of Mr. Miller of Needham, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the cremation of garbage and other substances detrimental to the public health, was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the quarterly returns of railroad corporations ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the city of Newburyport to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

To confirm the doings of the trustees of the Sanderson Academy and School Fund, to confirm the title of the present trustees, to change the name of, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate by, said corporation ; and

Fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district attorney for the county of Suffolk ;

To increase the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston ;

To provide for establishing the term of office of officers and members of the fire department of the city of Lowell ; and

To supply the town of Avon with water ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for an additional building at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the House) ;

In favor of Barney McCabe ; and

To further amend chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, providing for testimonials to soldiers and sailors ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to filling vacancies in boards of aldermen or city councils, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newburyport ;

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth ;

To establish a grade in the city of Malden ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ; and

To authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors and the widows of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing that certain officers of savings banks shall not be cashiers of national or State banks or trust companies, was, on motion of Mr. Call of Springfield, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Resolutions relating to the enactment of a Federal bankrupt law were adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows :—

Whereas, The best interests of commerce, between the citizens of this Commonwealth and other States, require that there should be uniform laws, throughout the Union, concerning the equitable settlement of the estates of bankrupt debtors ; and

Whereas, Under the present system of conflicting State insolvency laws, since the last repeal of the Federal legislation with regard to bankruptcy, there exist great inequalities, preferences and exemptions ; and

Whereas, It is desirable that the assets of bankrupt debtors should be marshalled and distributed equally among all the creditors of the various States under the supervision of one common assignee ; and that said debtors should be placed on an equal footing with regard to all their creditors ; and

Whereas, Congress is fully empowered under the Constitution of the United States to enact such general and uniform legislation, and to remedy the abuses and imperfections of former laws in this respect ; it is therefore

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress the consideration and early enactment of such Federal legislation relating to bankruptcy as will further the objects heretofore stated.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Congress of the United States, and to each of our Senators and Representatives therein.

The Resolve in favor of William J. Savage was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. After debate, the question on its rejection was negatived, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading.

The Bill to extend the time for the organization of the Boston Water Trust and Investment Company was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Bottum of Northampton moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolutions requesting Congress to pass a law granting pensions to every honorably discharged Union soldier and sailor who was confined in rebel prisons, were further considered. Mr. Rugg of New Bedford moved to amend by the substitution of resolutions with the same title. Amendments moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston to the substitute resolutions were rejected; and, after debate, the substitute resolutions were adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly urge upon the Congress of the United States the passage of a law whereby all honorably discharged Union soldiers and sailors of the late war, who were confined in rebel prisons, may have their names placed on the pension rolls of the United States, for not less than twelve dollars per month, and that they receive the sum of two dollars per day for the time they were so imprisoned.

Resolved, That copies of these Resolutions be transmitted to the presiding officers of both Houses of Congress, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

Bills:

In relation to conveyances of property by married women deserted by or living apart from their husbands; and

To supply the town of Provincetown with water;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex; and

Concerning a water supply for the fire district and inhabitants of the town of Hinsdale;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected, by a vote of 22 to 65, and notice was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at seventeen minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 9, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, remonstrance of David I. Robinson and 379 others, citizens of Gloucester, remonstrating against the proposed division of the town of Beverly. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule:—

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an Act to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor laws, as to provide that nothing therein contained shall affect the penalties incurred in or prosecution of cases arising or pending prior to the time when such Act shall become operative.

Penalties for violations of liquor laws.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McCall of Winchester:—

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on Street Railways.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

A report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the hours of labor for women and minors employed in manufacturing

Hours of labor for women and minors in manufacturing or

mechanical
establishments.

or mechanical establishments to fifty-six and a half hours weekly, and to so arrange the hours daily that the fifty-six and a half hours may be completed by not later than one o'clock on Saturday, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies, —
Western farm
mortgages.

Relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies (reported on so much of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to the dealing in Western farm mortgages by trust companies) ;

Licenses to
druggists and
apothecaries to
sell intoxicating
liquor.

Relating to the granting of licenses to druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquor (reported, in part, on an order), [Mr. Cronin of Worcester, of the House, dissenting] ; and

Salary of the
justice of the
district court of
East Norfolk.

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of East Norfolk (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Ocean steamers
crossing the
Grand Banks.

Resolutions relative to an international convention in relation to ocean steamers crossing the Grand Banks, adopted by the Senate, were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salary of the
Secretary of the
State Board of
Health.

A Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health (substituted for a House report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills :

Town of Mount
Washington.

To ratify and confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held in the year 1889 ; and

City hospital in
Boston.

To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the city hospital of said city ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

George F.
Goold.

A Bill concerning the salary of the late George F. Goold, harbor master of Boston (introduced on leave in the Senate), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petitions of F. W. Dallinger of Cambridge, and others, for legislation in regard to the drawbridge of the Boston and Albany Railroad near Cottage Farm station. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and sent up for concurrence.

Drawbridge of
the Boston and
Albany Rail-
road.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all persons who are injured in their person, property or means of support by reason of the intoxication of any person, shall be compensated or reimbursed for their loss or suffering, out of the money received from license fees, and as to providing some tribunal to receive and pass upon such claims. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Snow of Marblehead, and sent up for concurrence.

Intoxicating
liquor.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the same committee, *ibid.* inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the reimbursement of cities and towns for moneys expended in detecting and prosecuting certain violations of chapter 100, and sections 6 and 7 of chapter 101, of the Public Statutes, by giving to such cities and towns a more liberal portion of fines imposed. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Cronin of Worcester, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the thirty-third annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bliss of Warren, and sent up for concurrence.

Northampton
Lunatic Hos-
pital.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and sent up for concurrence.

Perkins Institu-
tion and Massa-
chusetts School
for the Blind.

Common
councils.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing common councils in all cities of over 150,000 inhabitants.

Common coun-
cil of the city of
Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Andreas Blume for such amendment of the charter of the city of Boston as will abolish the common council and establish a frame of government by a mayor and a single legislative body of not more than 32 members.

Massachusetts
Kennel Club,
Lynn, Mass.

By Mr. Lincoln of Wrentham, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Kennel Club relative to the revoking of the charter of the Massachusetts Kennel Club, Lynn, Mass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings bank
commissioners.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, increasing the number of savings bank commissioners, and to provide for a chairman thereof, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill relating to the commissioners of savings banks."

Public Library
in the city of
Lawrence.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to establish the Public Library in the city of Lawrence, and with regard to providing a building for the same.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for surveying lands of the Commonwealth at the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass.

Settlers occupy-
ing lands in the
Madawaska
Territory in
Maine.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of certain settlers occupying lands in the Madawaska Territory affected by the Treaty of Washington ought to pass.

School-room at
the State
Prison.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the construction of a building to be used as a school-room at the State Prison in Boston ought to pass.

Joseph
Mordette.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Joseph Mordette ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Albree of Boston, from the committee on State House, on the special message of the Governor relative to the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, in part, a Bill in addition to an Act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston.

Accommodations for the State government in Boston.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Call of Springfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Savings banks, — bonds of railroad companies.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of Lowell for a revision of the charter of said city ; and

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for the sale to the highest bidder at public auction of licenses of the first five classes for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Bourne Cemetery Association ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Plymouth ; and

To provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newburyport ; and

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to extend the time for the organization of the Boston Water Trust and Investment Company was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Pending this question, the House, on motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, at three minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 10, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, petition of the Boston school committee for legislation relative to a form of examination for engineers having charge of steam boilers. Referred to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence. Examination of engineers.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, remonstrance of Amos Rowe and 150 others against the proposed division of the town of Beverly. Placed on file. Beverly.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
BOSTON, April 10, 1889.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

In compliance with the terms of chapter 38 of the Resolves of the present year, I submit to you herewith a “substantially perfected plan . . . for the better accommodation of the State government; and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction according to the plan so reported.” This revised plan is presented with the approval of the Governor and Council and the committee on State House of your bodies, as the result of their labors, and of those of the architects and consulting architects. State House extension.

It retains the best features of the admirably arranged department building of the original Brigham & Spofford plan, and includes valuable suggestions made by the expert architects who assisted in awarding the prizes relating to important monumental interior features and to general external treatment. The principal aim has been to design the additions in the classic spirit that animated the renowned Bulfinch, the architect of the present structure, which has always been so much admired for its dignified and beautiful style; to do as he

might have done had he been called upon to enlarge the building; and to design the new portions in perfect harmony with the existing structure, so that the whole, when completed, will present a consistent and artistic group. Many modifications and improvements, suggested by the committee on State House, are also embodied in this plan.

No attempt at any unnecessary or uncalled-for architectural display is made, and the present gilded dome, the familiar landmark and pride of so many of us, will still be the only dominating feature of the group.

Experienced and reliable builders place the cost of construction at \$2,400,000 to \$2,500,000.

I transmit with this also a detailed statement of the architects in relation to the proposed building.

OLIVER AMES.

The message was read, and, with the accompanying statement, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (See House, No. 334.)

Introduced on Leave.

Lewis Hayden.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Lewis Hayden. Read and referred to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Shepard of Danvers, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, pending the question on suspending the 12th Joint Rule:—

Manual of the
General Court.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of making certain changes in and additions to the manual of the General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule:—

Penalties for
violations of
liquor laws.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an Act to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor laws, as to provide that nothing therein contained shall affect the penalties incurred

in or prosecutions of cases arising or pending prior to the time when such Act shall become operative.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Street Railways.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of F. H. Raymond that the city of Somerville may be divided into eight wards, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester. Somerville.

A Bill relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Advertising sales of unclaimed freight by railroad companies.

A petition of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital for authority to sell certain small tracts of land which are of no further use to said hospital, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

A petition of the Spencer Railroad Company for authority to lease or sell its road to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Spencer Railroad Company, — Boston and Albany Railroad.

The House petition of the selectmen of Berkley for legislation to legalize certain proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Berkley.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the police court at Lee and establishing a district court to include the towns of Lenox, Stockbridge, Lee, Tyringham, Otis, Becket and West Stockbridge, or any of them, and petitions relative to the subject. Abolishing the police court at Lee and establishing a district court.

Administration
of trusts.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the interests of parties having contingent interests in suits relative to the legality or administration of trusts created by deed or will.

Voting at meet-
ings of corpora-
tions by proxy
or attorney.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to additional legislation relating to the voting at the meetings of corporations by proxy or attorney.

Fund for injured
firemen.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on petitions of J. T. Merrill and others for \$10,000 annually as a fund for injured firemen. (Mr. Messinger, of the Senate, and Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, of the House, dissenting.)

Adulterants of
milk, butter or
cheese.

By Mr. Patridge of Upton, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the manufacture or sale of products intended to be used as adulterants of milk, butter or cheese.

Preservatives in
dairy products.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the use of salicylic acid, boracic acid, or any of their compounds, or other so-called preservatives, in dairy products.

Protection of
railroad em-
ployees.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise.

Protection
against acci-
dents on freight
trains.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation for the better protection against accidents for employees on freight trains.

Notices of acci-
dents on rail-
roads.

By Mr. Hanson of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the public travelling on steam railroads by requiring information to be posted, in proper places, of derailment, snow blockades or other accidents, soon after they occur, and to consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Net assets and
permanent fund
of mutual fire

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the In-

insurance Commissioner, in part, a Resolve for an examination into the subject of the net assets and permanent fund of mutual fire insurance companies. Insurance companies.

By Mr. Brooks of Hanover, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Diocesan Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Massachusetts. Diocesan Board of Missions.

By Mr. Quinn of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill relating to the returns of births in the city of Boston. Returns of births in the city of Boston.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Walpole and Bridgewater.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, in part, a Bill to establish the salary of the Insurance Commissioner. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Salary of the Insurance Commissioner.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Newburyport to discontinue certain common landing places in said city, and for other purposes ; Bills enacted.

To extend the time for the construction and completion of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad ; and

To provide for the passage of vessels through the draws of certain bridges over Charles River ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Concerning habitual truants ;

To establish the salary of the district attorney of the middle district ;

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Hinsdale ; and

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Granting county taxes (which originated in the House) ; Resolves passed.

Providing for a new building at the Agricultural Experiment Station ; and

To provide for the enlargement of the yard at the State Prison, and for other purposes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, it was voted that debate be closed at five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After debate, various amendments, printed in the calendar, moved by Mr. Brown of Salem, were rejected. On the question of ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly ; and, the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading, by a vote of 83 yeas to 110 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Alden, Jared F.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Barker, Thomas E.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bliss, George
Blodgett, Percival
Bonney, J. Dean
Bottum, John B.
Brady, Peter J.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brooks, William H.
Burgess, John H.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clayton, Horace E.
Clemence, George L.
Conant, Nelson B.
Connell, Thomas H.
Crane, Robert B.
Cronin, James M.
Crowell, Joshua
Crowley, John H.
Curtis, Francis C.

Messrs. Dearing, T. Haven
Desmond, Jeremiah
Douglas, William S.
Eddy, Lyman R.
Edwards, John
Eldridge, Albert R.
Farren, Thomas G.
Ferren, Myron J.
Foote, Charles N.
Giddings, Theodore
Gould, John B.
Gray, Robert S.
Hamilton, Henry D.
Hanson, Charles H.
Henry, Robert
Howes, Charles
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kemp, Horace G.
Kimball, Henry A.
Kimball, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Leach, William W.
Lovell, Clarence P.

Messrs.McCooley, Thomas
McDonough, John J.
Mead, Albert
Mendall, Noah F.
Miller, Albert E.
Morison, Frank
Morse, I. Porter
Murphy, William H.
Nichols, Edward M.
Northup, Stephen L.
Packard, John B.
Paige, Frank E.
Patridge, Joseph A.
Perkins, George A.
Perry, Charles
Pierce, John N.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.

Messrs.Purrrington, Ellis B.
Putnam, Charles C.
Qua, Francis W.
Russell, Stillman
Shepard, George A.
Spring, Charles E.
Sprout, William B.
Stanley, Stephen
Sullivan, John H.
Thompson, A. Cranston
Tompkins, Isaac B.
Wales, Abijah T.
White, William L., Jr.
Wilcox, Charles M.
Wilkins, John H.
Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.

Messrs.Albree, John
Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Ayres, George
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Bennett, John O.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Blume, Andreas
Bowman, Robert H.
Brown, Edward F.
Burke, James J.
Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Peter T.
Carter, Charles E.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Cutting, George W.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Joshua H.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Dubuque, Hugo A.

Messrs.Ferry, William F.
Fottler, Jacob
Frost, Henry
Garvey, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Harris, Robert O.
Harvey, James W.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Heslan, John E.
Hildreth, John
Holbrook, John D.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howard, John F.
Howe, Herbert W.
Howland, Willard
Hutchinson, John F.
Johnson, Henry H.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kempton, David B.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Lally, James, Jr.
Leary, Edward J.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Macfarlane, John
Marchant, Cornelius B.

Messrs. McCall, Samuel W.	Messrs. Riley, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.	Rogers, George C.
McDonough, John H.	Rowell, William R.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Sanger, Chester F.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Shaw, Edward P.
McNary, William S.	Shepard, Charles H.
Merrill, John F.	Smalley, Anthony
Monahan, William H.	Smith, Henry O.
Nichols, William H.	Snow, Thomas
Nolan, Joseph	Sohier, William D.
Norcross, J. Henry	Stafford, John H.
O'Mealey, John W.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
O'Neil, John W.	Stover, Martin L.
Parks, Oren B.	Sullivan, Edward
Pierce, Charles Q.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Pillsbury, Omer	Swallow, George N.
Porter, Charles F.	Taft, Edgar S.
Potter, Lurin J.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Prevaux, John J.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Quinn, Dennis J.	Witt, Charles T.
Raymond, Francis H.	Woodward, Charles F.
Reed, George A.	Worth, Ira A.
Richards, James H.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 83 ; nays, 110.

On this question, Messrs. Gordon of New Bedford, Rugg of New Bedford, Brewster of Worthington, Gilman of Newton, Slocum of Newton, Bond of Fitchburg, Holman of Clinton, Slocum of Dartmouth, Brown of North Adams, Call of Springfield, Bixby of Brockton, Hale of Taunton, Greenwood of Ashland, Lincoln of Wrentham, Glasgow of Worcester, Stearns of Dedham, Babbitt of Berkley and Newhall of Sterling, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Gardiner of Raynham, Hixon of Chelsea, Martin of Lynn, Harrington of Hull, Means of Boston, Moore of Boston, Brooks of Springfield, Wood of Northborough, Haskell of Gloucester, Russell of Somerville, Turner of Malden, Berry of Salem, Sherman of Plymouth, Bigelow of Grafton, Davis of Gloucester, Plaisted of Worcester, Pike of Topsfield and Oakman of Boston.

Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, at twenty minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 11, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Change in a Committee.

The Speaker announced that Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee appointed to attend the celebration at New York of the centennial anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States, and that Mr. McNary of Boston had been appointed in his place.

Change in a committee.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, a Bill in addition to an Act fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently the bill came down concurred in the suspension of the rule.

Probate courts in Plymouth County.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of making certain changes in and additions to the manual of the General Court.

Manual of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted additional time in which to report on matters referred to them.

Committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess, to consider the

Special committee to consider the subject of the taxation of costs.

entire subject of the taxation of costs in the several courts of the Commonwealth, and to report to the next General Court what legislation, if any, is necessary to properly regulate the taxation of costs, the methods of certifying the same, what costs may be properly discontinued and revised, and such other matters concerning the same subject as they may deem expedient.

Reports of Committees.

Coloring imitation dairy products.

By Mr. Clemence of Southbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall provide that oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter and like compounds manufactured and sold in imitation of dairy products shall be colored some distinct color, and such color as may be deemed expedient and proper.

Ibid.

By Mr. Crane of Westfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the use of all coloring or coloring matter in oleomargarine, butter and butterine.

Coloring of dairy products.

By Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the coloring of butter, cheese and oleomargarine by the use of annatto or other similar substances.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Pauper laws.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to codifying the pauper laws of the Commonwealth.

Clerk for the police court at Lee.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of a clerk for the police court at Lee.

Statutes relating to municipal corporations.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a compilation of all the statutes of the Commonwealth which relate to municipal corporations.

Support of invalid children.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation relative to the support of invalid children by their parents.

Breaking and entering.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such

legislation as will make it an offence to enter, or to break and enter, in the manner described in section 13 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, the building, ship or vessel named therein, but without the intent to commit any of the crimes or felonies recited in said section, and to provide a penalty for such offence.

By Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, from the committee on ^{Milk.} Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. L. Fitch and others that a law be enacted defining the quantity constituting a can of milk sold under contract.

By Mr. Pike of Topsfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. Dann and others that the Oxford Agricultural Society be allowed its proportion of the State bounty to agricultural societies, which was withheld because of non-conformity to the details of the law. ^{Oxford Agricultural Society.}

By Mr. Alden of Duxbury, from the same committee, ^{Ladle-packed butter.} inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the fraudulent use of the words "dairy" and "creamery" upon tubs or other packages containing butter; also, as to what legislation is necessary to prevent imposition in the sale of butter known to the trade as "ladle-packed."

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no conviction for the violation of the provisions of section 18 of chapter 100, and section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, concerning the illegal sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, shall be had upon the unsupported evidence of so-called private detectives, popularly known as "spotters." ^{Intoxicating liquors, — convictions for illegal selling.}

By Mr. Pierce of Hadley, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like or similar manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent. ^{Taxation of gas companies.}

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, from the committee on ^{Brookfield.} Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Warren G. Fay and others that the easterly part of the town of Brookfield may be set off and incorporated as the town of East Brookfield.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Breaking and entering.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to breaking and entering a dwelling-house of another in the night-time.

Term fees of clerks of courts.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to abolish clerk's term fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts and before county commissioners.

Massachusetts Humane Society.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 106 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to property of the Massachusetts Humane Society.

Accommodation of the State government in Boston.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill in addition to an Act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

State Industrial School for Girls.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Industrial School for Girls ought to pass in a new draft with the title, Resolve providing for rebuilding the barn at the State Industrial School for Girls.

Proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks.

Approval of bills for the maintenance of the penal institutions.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for the approval of bills for the maintenance of the State Prison, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Grafton.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Grafton to issue bonds to fund its existing indebtedness.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Promissory notes and other obligations falling due April 22, 1889.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April in the year 1889 ought to pass.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State military historian.

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, recommitted, a Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, in part, a Bill to establish the salary of the Deputy Insurance Commissioner. Salary of the Deputy Insurance Commissioner.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, to whom was referred the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the superior court, and petitions in aid of the same, that the bill ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Appeals from assessors of taxes.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, the Resolve in favor of William J. Savage was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow. William J. Savage.

On motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, the Bill relating to the Commissioners of Savings Banks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Commissioners of Savings Banks.

On motions of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, the report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. T. Merrill and others for \$10,000 annually as a fund for injured firemen, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Protection of railroad employees.

Taken from the Table.

Trials before
police, district
and municipal
courts.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting any justice of a police, district or municipal court from sitting at the trial or hearing of any complaint in a criminal action or proceeding, if such justice has previously heard the complainant or any of his witnesses upon the subject-matter of such complaint, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Monthly state-
ments of gross
and net earnings
of steam and
street railroads.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Ayers for legislation requiring from steam and street railroads of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings, as well as their financial condition, in such manner as the Railroad Commissioners shall direct, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Charges for
libels for di-
vorce, bills and
petitions in
equity, citations
and orders.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 257 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to extend the provisions of section 3 thereof to include and regulate charges for libels for divorce, and bills and petitions in equity, and citations, orders and proceedings thereunder, was taken from the table, and, pending the question on its acceptance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Better accom-
modation of the
State govern-
ment in the city
of Boston.

On motions of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the message from the Governor, transmitting, in compliance with the terms of chapter 38 of the Resolves of the present year, a substantially perfected plan for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on State House, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relating to the payment of county taxes;

To authorize the street commissioners of the city of Boston to extend West Chester Park Street as a highway to the Harvard Bridge and to establish the grade thereof; and

To incorporate the Ashfield Burial Ground Association and to authorize the town of Ashfield to convey certain existing burying grounds to such association ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Concerning a water supply for the fire district and inhabitants of the town of Hinsdale ; and

To extend the time for the organization of the Boston Water Trust and Investment Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the interests of parties having contingent interests in suits relative to the legality or administration of trusts created by deed or will ;

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to additional legislation relating to the voting at the meetings of corporations by proxy or attorney ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Kennel Club, relative to the revoking of the charter of the Massachusetts Kennel Club, Lynn, Mass. ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to further legislation to prevent the use of salicylic acid, boracic acid, or any of their compounds, or other so-called preservatives, in dairy products ;

On an order relative to prohibiting the manufacture or sale of products intended to be used as adulterants of milk, butter or cheese ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the public travelling on steam railroads by requiring information to be posted in proper places of derailment, snow blockades, or other accidents, soon after they occur, and consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the hours of labor for women and minors employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments to fifty-six and a half hours weekly, and to so arrange the hours daily that the fifty-six and a half hours may be completed by not later than one o'clock on Saturday, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the Public Library in the city of Lawrence, and with regard to providing a building for the same ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of East Norfolk ;

To incorporate the Diocesan Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Massachusetts ;

Relating to the returns of births in the city of Boston ; and

Relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Joseph Mordette ;

To provide for surveying lands of the Commonwealth at the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To provide for the construction of a building to be used as a school-room at the State Prison in Boston ; and

In favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ;

To incorporate the Bourne Cemetery Association ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Plymouth ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolutions relative to an international convention in relation to ocean steamers crossing the Grand Banks were adopted, in concurrence, as follows :—

Whereas, The fishermen of this Commonwealth are subject to serious danger and great loss of property and life from the fact that the path of the ocean steamers lies directly across the Grand Banks ; therefore

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress the immediate necessity of holding an international convention, which body shall legislate upon the subject, and agree upon laws which shall be binding upon all ocean steamers of the nations which have delegates in attendance at such convention, and which shall make it compulsory to pursue certain courses on all their passages, in order to avoid the fishing banks frequented by fishermen.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be transmitted to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

The Bill providing that certain officers of savings banks shall not be cashiers of national or State banks or trust companies was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Blume of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 74 yeas to 67 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, John

Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Bonney, J. Dean
Bowman, Robert H.
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Orland J.
Church, Moses D.
Clayton, Horace E.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Davis, Epes
Dearing, T. Haven
Dewey, Henry S.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Duggan, Thomas H.

Messrs. Edwards, John

Ferren, Myron J.
Ferry, William F.
Gillespie, John F.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Harvey, James W.
Haskell, Forbes P.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Lally, James, Jr.
Lane, Hiram B.
Leach, William W.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Macfarlane, John
Marchant, Cornelius B.
Martin, James P.
McDonald, Peter J.
McDonough, John H.
McDonough, John J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.

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Messrs. Mead, Albert
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Pillsbury, Omer
 Prevaux, John J.
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Richards, James H.
 Riley, Thomas
 Rogers, George C.

Messrs. Rowell, William R.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Snow, Thomas
 Sohler, William D.
 Stafford, John H.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Sullivan, John H.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.
 Barker, Thomas E.
 Bicknell, Thomas W.
 Bliss, George
 Blodgett, Percival
 Blume, Andreas
 Bond, Nelson F.
 Bottum, John B.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brooks, Horace S.
 Call, Charles A.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carter, Charles E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Conant, Nelson B.
 Connell, Thomas H.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Nahum S.
 Cutting, George W.
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Dubuque, Hugo A.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gould, John B.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Harris, Robert O.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Howe, Herbert W.

Messrs. Howes, Charles
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Merrill, John F.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Packard, John B.
 Parks, Oren B.
 Pierce, John N.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Reed, George A.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Smith, Henry O.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stearns, George C.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Swallow, George N.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wilkins, John H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wood, Samuel
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

On this question, Messrs. Pierce of Watertown, Hayes of Lynn, McCooey of Blackstone, Brown of Salem, Sullivan of Lawrence, Murphy of Boston, Garvey of Lowell, Hale of Taunton, McNary of Boston, Keliher of Boston, Keane of Holyoke, Leary of Boston, Alden of Duxbury, Carroll of Worcester, Cronin of Worcester and Heslan of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Holman of Clinton, Paige of Amherst, Cheney of Worcester, Holbrook of Athol, Hutchinson of Lexington, Bigelow of Grafton, Douglas of Greenwich, Eldridge of Bourne, Lincoln of Wrentham, Greenwood of Ashland, Ayres of Petersham, Foote of Lee, Babbitt of Berkley, Thayer of Randolph, Pike of Topsfield and Oakman of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the House receded from its amendment at "A" to the Senate Bill to establish the Commissioners of Public Institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk, and the bill was returned to the Senate, endorsed accordingly. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who may hereafter die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield.

The Bill extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment by inserting in section 1, line 2, after the word "Statutes," the words, "as amended by chapter three hundred and seventy-three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors, and the widows of soldiers and sailors, who served in the army or navy of the United

States during the War of the Rebellion, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Andreas Blume for such amendment of the charter of the city of Boston as will abolish the common council and establish a frame of government by a mayor and a single legislative body of not more than 32 members, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Blume of Boston.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing common councils in all cities of over 150,000 inhabitants, was considered. Mr. Blume of Boston moved that the report be laid upon the table, which motion prevailed by a vote of 50 to 19. Mr. Atwood of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting, and called for a count of the House. A count showed that 99 members were present.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, at fourteen minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 12, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, petitions of R. N. Turnbull and others; and Thaddeus Richardson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Frank M. Ames and others that a charter be granted for an elevated railroad in Boston, to extend to the suburbs. Elevated railroad in Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of the Revere Street Railway Company for a change of name and for authority to issue bonds. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Revere Street Railway Company.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Library be authorized to have the bust of Samuel Adams removed from the alcove in Doric Hall in which it now stands, and to have photographs taken of said bust, and to procure photographs of the bust of Washington in Christ Church, Boston. Bust of Samuel Adams in Doric Hall.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered: —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess, to consider the entire subject of the taxation of costs in the several courts of the Commonwealth, and to report to the next General Court what legislation, if any, is necessary to properly regulate the taxation of costs, the methods of certifying the same, what costs may be properly discontinued and Taxation of costs in courts.

revised, and such other matter concerning the same subject as they may deem expedient.

Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to amend, in lines 1, 2 and 3, by striking out the words, "the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the appointment of a joint special committee," and inserting in place thereof the words, "a special committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Beck of Milton, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea :—

Inspection of
public build-
ings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the inspection of public buildings, including schools, and the provision of additional or better means of ventilation and egress in case of fire, and regarding the orders of the State inspectors and revision thereof in certain cases.

The following order, offered by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge :—

Committee on
Taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted the further time of two weeks to consider the matters now before them.

The following order, offered by Mr. Slocum of Newton, was, at his request, laid over until Monday :—

Limit of debate.

Ordered, That, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of joint
committees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that joint committees be granted until Wednesday, April 24, in which to make final reports upon matters now before them.

Board of Control
of the Massa-
chusetts Agri-
cultural
Experiment
Station.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the sixth annual report of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment

Station, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Paige of Amherst.

A petition of the Marine Society of Salem for power and authority, under the will of Henry Barr, late of Salem, to accept certain trusts under said will, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Marine Society
of Salem.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company.

Uxbridge
Water
Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in addition to an Act fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth ought to pass.

Plymouth
County probate
courts.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

By Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the report of the Adjutant-General, in part, a Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Water supply
at the State
camp ground at
South Framing-
ham.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Edwin Dudley and others for an amendment to the Constitution, providing for the appointment by the Governor, instead of election, of district attorneys, sheriffs, clerks of courts, registers of deeds and registers of probate.

Appointment
of district attor-
neys, registers
and other
officers.

By Mr. Cutting of Weston, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes

Saturday half-
holiday for em-
ployees in
manufacturing
or mechanical
establishments.

as to provide that no minor under eighteen years of age, and no woman, shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than fifty-eight hours in a week. (Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Leach of Palmer, Edwards of Fall River, Stafford of Lawrence and Crowley of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Salaries of controller of county accounts and his clerks.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the controller of county accounts and of the two clerks in the office of said controller.

Women's Prison at Sherborn.

By Mr. Hale of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to converting the strong wing of the Women's Prison at Sherborn into a State prison for women convicted of serious offences.

Great ponds.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving towns using the water of great ponds certain rights therein.

Riverside Water Supply Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Riverside Water Supply Company for authority to take water from Nevins Brook and Burton's Cove.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

School committee of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill to enlarge the powers of the school committee of the city of Boston.

New Bedford Gaslight Company.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill granting additional powers to the New Bedford Gaslight Company.

Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to legalize certain doings of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston.

Salary of the commissioners of Essex County.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the county commissioners of Essex County.

Grafton Water Company.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Grafton Water Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on State aid. Finance, that the Senate Bill providing for the payment of State aid ought to pass.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that Military aid. the Senate Bill relative to military aid ought to pass.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, State military historian. that the Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee on Statistics of deposits in savings banks. Labor, on an order, a Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks. (Messrs. Fassett and Whitney, of the Senate, dissenting.)

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Spring of Holliston, the Bill to Relief to soldiers and sailors and widows of soldiers and sailors. authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors and the widows of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no conviction for the violation of the provisions of section 18 of chapter 100, and section 7 of chapter 101, of the Public Statutes, concerning the illegal sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, shall be had upon the unsupported evidence of so-called private detectives, popularly known as "spotters," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Intoxicating liquors,—conviction for illegal selling.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, the Bill to Grafton. authorize the town of Grafton to issue bonds to fund its existing indebtedness was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the rules were

further suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To amend section 44 of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the municipal indebtedness of the city of Quincy (which originated in the House) ; and

To establish the Commissioners of Public Institutions, and to place in their charge the public institutions of the city of Boston and county of Suffolk (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing common councils in all cities of over one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was laid on the table, as moved by Mr. Blume of Boston.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to codifying the pauper laws of the Commonwealth ;

On an order relative to further legislation concerning the support of invalid children by their parents ;

On an order relative to such legislation as will make it an offence to enter, or to break and enter, in the manner described in section 13 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, the building, ship or vessel named therein, but without the intent to commit any of the crimes or felonies recited in said section, and to provide a penalty for such offence ;

On an order relative to the appointment of a clerk for the police court at Lee ; and

On an order relative to compilation of all the statutes of the Commonwealth which relate to municipal corporations ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of A. L. Fitch and others that a law be enacted defining the quantity constituting a can of milk sold under contract ; and

On the petition of J. P. Dann and others that the Oxford Agricultural Society be allowed its proportion of the State bounty to agricultural societies, which was withheld because of non-conformity to the details of the law ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the fraudulent use of the words " dairy " and " creamery " upon tubs or other packages containing butter ; also, as to what legislation is necessary to prevent imposition in the sale of butter known to the trade as " ladle-packed ; "

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation for the better protection against accidents for employees on freight trains ; and

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Warren G. Fay and others that the easterly part of the town of Brookfield may be set off and incorporated as the town of East Brookfield ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the police court at Lee, and establishing a district court to include the towns of Lenox, Stockbridge, Lee, Tyringham, Otis, Becket and West Stockbridge, or any of them, and petitions relative to the subject, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like or similar manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Bills :

In addition to an Act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston ;

To amend section 106 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to property of the Massachusetts Humane Society ;

To abolish clerks' term fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts, and before county commissioners ;

Relating to breaking and entering a dwelling-house of another in the night-time ;

To provide for the approval of bills for the maintenance of the State Prison, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and the Massachusetts Reformatory ; and

Resolves :

For an examination into the subject of the net assets and permanent fund of mutual fire insurance companies ; and

Providing for rebuilding the barn at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April, in the year 1889, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Resolve in favor of certain settlers occupying lands in the Madawaska Territory affected by the treaty of Washington was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

The Bill relating to the granting of licenses to druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquor was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to amend, in line 4 of section 1, by inserting after

the word "pharmacist" the words, "or a physician." Mr. Cronin of Worcester moved to amend by striking out section 2. After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of William J. Savage was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 57 to 56.

Bills :

To establish the public library in the city of Lawrence, and with regard to providing a building for the same ;

To incorporate the Diocesan Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Massachusetts ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Joseph Mordette ;

To provide for surveying lands of the Commonwealth at the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To provide for the construction and furnishing of a building to be used as a school-room at the State Prison in Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of East Norfolk ; and the

Resolve in favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the returns of births in the city of Boston was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the returns of births by physicians and midwives." The bill was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the superior court was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to incorporate the proprietors of the New Mat-takesett Creeks was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend, in line 10 of section 3, by inserting after the word "creeks" the words, "while in said creeks;" which amendment was adopted. Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott moved to amend by striking out, in lines 7, 8 and 9, the words, "or at or near the mouth of said creeks, or in the waters of Katama Bay (so called)." The amendment was rejected, and the bill was refused a third reading, by a vote of 42 to 65.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, at seventeen minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 15, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Part I. of the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was received, and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Insurance
Commissioner.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, petition of Arthur L. Huntington and others for an Act of incorporation as the Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad.

Salem and Pea-
body Elevated
Railroad.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of the Woonsocket Street Railway Company of Rhode Island for leave to extend its road across the State line into the town of Blackstone.

Woonsocket
Street Railway
of Rhode Island.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, in each case, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of the town of Andover that said town may be authorized to issue bonds for its water supply not exceeding \$160,000, instead of \$100,000, as authorized by chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1887. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Andover water
supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, remonstrance of J. F. Gillen and 42 others against the proposed legislation to regulate the practice of medicine. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Practice of
medicine.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was considered, and, after debate, was adopted : —

Public schools,
— private
schools.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requesting the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court upon the following questions of law, namely : —

1. What is the meaning of the words, “or if such child has been otherwise furnished for a like period of time with the means of education,” as they are used in the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth lines of section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes?

2. Is the instruction given in a private day school, not approved by the school committee of a city or town in which a person resides who has under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, a “means of education” for such child according to the meaning of those words as used in the fourteenth and fifteenth lines of section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes?

3. What is the meaning of the words, “when the teaching therein is in the English language,” as they are used in the second and third lines of section 2 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes?

4. What proportion of the teaching in a private school must be in the English language, in order to justify its approval by the school committee of a city or town according to the provisions of section 2 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes?

And be it further ordered, that the justices of the supreme judicial court be informed that the foregoing questions are propounded with a view to further legislation on the subject-matter of the statutes therein referred to.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, pending the question on suspending the 12th Joint Rule : —

Inspection of
public build-
ings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the inspection of public buildings, including schools, and the provision of additional or better means of ventilation and egress in case of fire, and regarding the orders of the State inspectors, and revision thereof in certain cases.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted and sent up for concurrence :—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted the further time of two weeks to consider the matters now before them. Committee on Taxation.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted :—

Ordered, That in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present. Limit of debate.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the powers of the Board of Gas Commissioners, with reference to the placing of electric light wires, and of such legislation as will authorize the granting of temporary licenses ; and Board of Gas Commissioners. — temporary licenses for the placing of electric wires.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation in the interest of the public health as will tend more effectually to prevent the adulteration of food and the sale of food which is adulterated ; Adulteration of food.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex (reported on a petition) ; Clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Relating to the employment of children (reported on orders) ; Employment of children.

To amend an Act relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester (reported on a petition) ; Public cemeteries in Winchester.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to prevent the mutilation of horses came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out section 2, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mutilation of horses.

Slocum of Newton, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Settlement of
controversies
by executors
and adminis-
trators.

The House Bill to amend section 14 of chapter 142 of the Public Statutes, relating to authorizing the adjustment of controversies as to the estates of persons deceased, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, "Bill to authorize executors and administrators with the will annexed to settle controversies by arbitration or compromise." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Pensions to
honorably dis-
charged soldiers
and sailors who
were confined
in rebel prisons.

The House Resolutions requesting Congress to pass a law granting pensions to every honorably discharged Union soldier and sailor who was confined in rebel prisons, came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by inserting after the word "prisons," in line 6, the words, "thirty days or more." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, and the resolutions were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Edward P.
Simpson.

A petition of Edward P. Simpson for compensation for the loss of and injury to certain carpenter tools at the Women's Prison at Sherborn was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Spayed dogs.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the committee of Conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs, that the committee were unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Milton, and sent up for concurrence.

Salary of the
clerk of the
fourth district
court of Plym-
outh County.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth County. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Guardians and
trustees.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill requiring guardians

and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent.

By Mr. Haseltine of Lawrence, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of Essex County.

Clerical assistance for the treasurer of Essex County.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to provide an additional water supply for the city of Newton.

Water supply for the city of Newton.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Brady of Lowell, from the committee on Prisons, on an order, a Resolve providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, in jail in Middlesex County. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Sarah J. Robinson.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Bottum of Northampton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the proprietors of the New Mattakessett Creeks. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend in section 3, as follows: In line 7, strike out the words, "or Great Pond;" also, in lines 8 and 9, strike out the words, "or in the waters of Katama Bay (so called);" also, by inserting in line 13, after the word "purposes," the words, "in said creek or creeks;" also, by inserting in line 16, after the word "term," the words, "but nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent any person or persons from fishing in the waters of said Great Pond, and a reasonable way to pass over or cross the land of said proprietors of the New Mattakessett Creeks to said Great Pond for the purpose of fishing or gunning." Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Bottum, laid on the table.

Proprietors of the New Mattakessett Creeks.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Friday last rejected the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the superior court. The motion was lost.

Appeals from assessors of taxes.

Taken from the Table.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 25, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Publication by
railroad corpo-
rations of lists
of unclaimed
freight.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the Bill relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Employment
of minors and
women in man-
ufacturing and
mechanical
establishments.

On motions of Mr. Leach of Palmer, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that "no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than fifty-eight hours in a week," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Controller of
county
accounts.

On motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the controller of county accounts and of the two clerks in the office of said controller, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Great ponds.

On motions of Mr. Pratt of Abington, the report of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving towns using the water of great

ponds certain rights therein, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize manufacturing corporations to support free beds in hospitals for the use of their employees ; and
 To annex a portion of the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to the town of Avon ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Edwin Dudley and others for an amendment to the Constitution providing for the appointment by the Governor, instead of election, of district attorneys, sheriffs, clerks of court, registers of deeds and registers of probate ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to converting the strong wing of the Women's Prison at Sherborn into a State prison for women convicted of serious offences ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Riverside Water Supply Company for authority to take water from Nevins Brook and Burton's Cove ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To legalize certain doings of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston ;

Granting additional powers to the New Bedford Gas-light Company ;

To amend an Act to incorporate the Grafton Water Company ;

To enlarge the powers of the school committee of the city of Boston ;

To establish the salary of the county commissioners of Essex County ;

Providing for the appointment of a State military historian ;

Relative to military aid ; and

Providing for the payment of State aid ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in addition to an Act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston ; and

Resolves :

Providing for rebuilding the barn at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

For an examination into the subject of the net assets and permanent fund of mutual fire insurance companies ; and

In favor of William J. Savage ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the granting of licenses to druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquor was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolves declaring the records of Massachusetts volunteers, 1861 to 1865, unofficial, on the petition of James Holehouse, who has been erroneously represented as a deserter, were read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by the substitution of " Resolves declaring unofficial the record of Massachusetts volunteers, eighteen hundred and sixty-one to eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and in favor of James Holehouse," and, as amended, were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word " Western," and inserting after the word " mortgages," in line 4, the words, " located in the Western States." Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking, on motion of Mr. Morison of Boston.

The Bill providing that certain officers of savings banks shall not be cashiers of national or State banks or trust

companies was read a third time and considered. Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to amend by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words, "the deposits of which exceed five hundred thousand dollars." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 16, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Request to introduce a Resolve.*April 30, 1889, a
legal holiday.

Mr. Brown of Salem asked leave to introduce a Resolve making the thirtieth day of April, in the year 1889, a legal holiday. The resolve was read, and, at the request of Mr. McCall of Winchester, consideration of the request for leave to introduce the resolve was postponed until to-morrow.

*Petitions Presented.*Mrs. Mary
Harrington.

By Mr. Quinn of Boston, petition of Mrs. Mary Harrington that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Housatonic
Railroad Com-
pany.

By Mr. Macfarlane of Lynn, petition of G. W. Gilmore and 271 others of Lynn; and by Mr. Connell of Dracut, petition of C. A. Richards and 161 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Woonsocket
Street Railroad.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, petition of Alexander Ballou and 184 others, citizens and tax payers of the town of Blackstone, for the extension of the Woonsocket Street Railroad through the town of Blackstone. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge: —

Committee on
Public Charita-
ble Institutions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duty.

State Dairy
Commissioner.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing the office

of a State dairy commissioner, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Bills :

To confirm a deed given by the First Congregational Parish of Dalton ;

First Congregational Parish of Dalton.

To amend an Act to incorporate the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to amend an Act to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor law (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading ; and, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Penalties for violations of the liquor law.

A Bill to require non-resident assignees in insolvency to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Agent for non-resident assignees in insolvency.

The Senate Bill concerning the fees for pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl harbor, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendment with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the House non-concurred in the Senate amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Pilotage fees for Wood's Holl harbor.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) relative to the twenty-second day of April, in the year 1889, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the resolve was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

April 22, 1889.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to granting to the committee on Water Supply additional time in which to report on matters referred to them.

Committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Neglected children.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1882, by increasing the penalty of fine provided by said Act; also, of repealing or amending sections 18, 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, concerning neglected children.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to providing that children over fourteen years of age who reside or are found in reputed houses of ill-fame, assignation or gambling houses, may be considered neglected children, under chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1882, and chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1883.

Vagrant minors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to vagrant minors.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge.

Richard Brennan.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Charles D. Palmer, mayor of Lowell, for reimbursement to the city of Lowell of money expended for the support of Richard Brennan, an insane pauper. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, and sent up for concurrence.

Trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools.

By Mr. Conant of Littleton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the tenth annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Conant of Littleton, and sent up for concurrence.

Systems of drainage for towns.

By Mr. Dearing of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring towns of more than four thousand inhabitants to adopt some plan of drainage. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dearing, and sent up for concurrence.

Labor on the Lord's day.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Walter

Johnson and others for such legislation as will prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, and for which double compensation shall be allowed.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to codifying the criminal laws of the Commonwealth.

Codifying the criminal laws of the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Davis of Somerville, from the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New England Conservatory of Music for aid from the Commonwealth, and petitions in aid of the same. (Mr. Stevens, of the Senate, and Messrs. Kimball of Lynn, McKettrick of Boston and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

New England Conservatory of Music.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to temporary loans by cities and towns.

Temporary loans by cities and towns.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order (recommitted), a Bill to amend an Act in relation to the payment of fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts.

Fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the transmission of intelligence by telephone.

Transmission of intelligence by telephone.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings, in the city of Boston.

Inspection of buildings in the city of Boston.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide for the licensing of boarding-houses for infants under five years of age.

Boarding houses for infants.

By Mr. Bennett of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the county commissioners of Middlesex County.

County commissioners of Middlesex County.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Perkins of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the order relative to limiting speeches to ten minutes each on all matters coming before the House. After debate, the motion was lost.

Limit of debate.

*Taken from the Table.*Protection of
infants.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Warren, the Bill for the better protection of infants was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Clerical assist-
ance for the first
district court of
Eastern
Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 23, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to complete the court house in Fall River;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of Bristol;

• To provide for arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to enlarge and improve the accommodations for the courts and county offices in Taunton;

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Plymouth;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of East Norfolk (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth County, was accepted^{and} and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to extending the powers of the Board of Gas Commissioners, with reference to the placing of electric light wires, and of such legislation as will authorize the granting of temporary licenses ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to such legislation in the interest of the public health as will tend more effectually to prevent the adulteration of food and the sale of food which is adulterated ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of Essex County ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Newton ;

Requiring guardians and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent ; and

To amend an Act relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the employment of children was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 53 to 44.

Bills :

In relation to the approval of bills for the maintenance of the State Prison, the Reformatory Prison for Women and the Massachusetts Reformatory (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To confirm certain acts of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To enlarge the powers of the school committee of the city of Boston ; and

Granting additional powers to the New Bedford Gas-light Company ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the Commissioners of Savings Banks was, pending the question of ordering to a third reading, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 23, on motion of Mr. McNary of Boston.

The Bill to authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors and the widows of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to amend, in section 1, line 10, by inserting, after the word "widow," the words, "or children under sixteen years of age;" also, in line 11, by inserting after the word "widow," the words, "or children;" also, in line 13, by inserting, after the word "three," the word "consecutive." After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was rejected and notice was sent to the Senate.

The order relative to further legislation regarding the inspection of public buildings, including schools, and the provision of additional or better means of ventilation and egress in case of fire, and regarding the orders of the State inspectors, and revision thereof in certain cases, was further considered. After debate, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and, pending the question on the adoption of the order, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 23, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

The Bill to establish the salary of the county commissioners of Essex County was read a third time, and considered, and, after debate, was rejected.

The Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg.

The Bill relative to military aid was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the following amendments: In section 3, line 6, strike out the words, "chapter three hundred and

one," and insert in place thereof the words, "An Act entitled, 'An Act providing for the payment of State aid;'" in section 7, lines 4 and 5, strike out the words, "chapter three hundred and one," and insert in place thereof the words, "An Act entitled, 'An Act providing for the payment of State aid;'" in section 13, strike out the remainder of the section, after the word "of," in line 2, and insert the words, "June, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended.

The Bill providing for the payment of State aid was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the following amendments: In section 3, lines 23 and 24, strike out the words, "chapter two hundred and fifty two," and insert in place thereof the words, "An Act entitled, 'An Act relative to military aid;'" in section 11, strike out all after the word "of," in line 2, and insert in place thereof the words, "June, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, at four minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 17, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. William H. Brooks of Hanover, a member of the House.

Request to introduce a Resolve.

The request of Mr. Brown of Salem, which was postponed for consideration until to-day, to introduce a Resolve making the thirtieth day of April, in the year 1889, a legal holiday, was considered. After debate, the House refused to grant the request.

Petitions Presented.

Hannah V.
Draper.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Hannah V. Draper for an annuity. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Howland of Chelsea.

First Baptist
Society in
Methuen.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petition of J. M. Tenney and others for the exemption from taxation of all property, real and personal, bequeathed to the First Baptist Society in Methuen, under the will of Moses Webster. Referred to the committee on Taxation, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence :—

Committee on
Public Charita-
ble Institutions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit such places without the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duty.

Reports :

Dogs.

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Essex Agricultural Society and others for an amendment of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to dogs ;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to a national exposition in honor of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of this continent, and the report of the committee on Foreign Affairs of the Congress of the United States in relation to the proposed permanent exposition at Washington ;

National exposition in honor of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of this continent.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the approval by the railroad commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power to street railway companies in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth ;

Locations of street railways,—railroad commissioners.

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Reading for authority to introduce a supply of water from within the limits of said town, or by contract with the Wakefield Water Company ; and

Reading water supply.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Willis and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town of Stockbridge with water ;

Stockbridge water supply.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Authorizing the town of Rowley to indemnify Edward H. Richardson for damages sustained while assisting to keep the peace ; and

Rowley,—E. H. Richardson.

Authorizing the trustees under the will of Elisha V. Ashton to lease certain real estate in Boston ;

Elisha V. Ashton.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Lewis Hayden (being a Resolve introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Lewis Hayden.

Fred B. Byram.

The House Resolve to confirm the acts of Fred B. Byram as justice of the peace came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in lines 2, 3, 4 and 5, by striking out the words, "within this Commonwealth, designated and qualified to issue warrants and take bail within the judicial district of the first district court of Bristol," and inserting in place thereof the words, "designated and commissioned to issue warrants in criminal cases arising within the judicial district of the first district court of Bristol, and take bail therein;" also in the title, by adding at the end thereof the words, "designated to issue warrants and take bail." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the Resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Manual of the
General Court.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order relative to instructing the committee on Printing to consider the expediency of making certain changes in, and additions to, the Manual of the General Court, had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are granted.

Cider.

By Mr. Morse of Marlborough, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry H. Faxon of Quincy, praying for the prohibition of the sale of cider and native wines in no-license towns.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Quincy Street
Railway
Company.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Quincy Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company, and to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to lease the same or any part thereof. Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, on the fourth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, in part, a Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the fourth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, in part, a Resolve providing for certain repairs at the Westborough Insane Hospital.

ibid.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill to authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors, and the widows of soldiers and sailors, who served in the army or navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Dallinger moved to amend, in section 1, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words, "resided for three consecutive years," and inserting in place thereof the words, "a legal settlement;" also, in line 13 of the same section, by striking out the words, "resided for three years next preceding the application for relief under the provisions of this act," and inserting in place thereof the words, "a legal settlement." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Relief of
soldiers and
sailors, and
their widows.

Message from the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, requesting the return to that branch of the Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) relative to the twenty-second day of April, in the year 1889. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the vote whereby the resolve was referred to the committee on the Judiciary was reconsidered; and, on

Notes falling
due on April 22,
1889.

further motion of the same gentleman, the resolve was returned to the Senate, Mr. McCall being appointed a committee for that purpose.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an Act fixing the times and places for holding probate courts in the county of Plymouth ;

To authorize executors and administrators with the will annexed to settle controversies by arbitration or compromise ; and

To prevent the mutilation of horses ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston ;

Relating to the granting of licenses to druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquor ; and

To amend an Act to fix the penalties for violations of the liquor law ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Walter Johnson and others for such legislation as will prohibit any but necessary labor on the Lord's day, and for which double compensation shall be allowed ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to codifying the criminal laws of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to establishing the office of a State dairy commissioner, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to temporary loans by cities and towns ;

To amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston ;

To provide for the licensing of boarding-houses for infants under five years of age ;

Relating to the transmission of intelligence by telephone ;

To amend an Act in relation to the payment of fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts ;

To confirm a deed given by the First Congregational Parish of Dalton ; and

To amend an Act to incorporate the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill for the better protection of infants was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of Essex County ; and

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Newton ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an Act relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the appointment of an officer for the oversight of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, was further considered. Mr. Perkins of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to provide for a commissioner of highways and bridges." After debate, the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish a grade in the city of Malden was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, in section 3, line 6, by striking out the words, " the supreme judicial court," and inserting in place thereof the words, " any court having equity jurisdiction." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*Protection of
infants.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Warren, the Bill for the better protection of infants was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Clerical assist-
ance for the first
district court of
Eastern
Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 23, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to complete the court house in Fall River ;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the first district court of Bristol ;

• To provide for arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to enlarge and improve the accommodations for the courts and county offices in Taunton ;

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Plymouth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the district court of East Norfolk (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of ^{the} fourth district court of Plymouth County, was accepted^{and} and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to extending the powers of the Board of Gas Commissioners, with reference to the placing of electric light wires, and of such legislation as will authorize the granting of temporary licenses ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to such legislation in the interest of the public health as will tend more effectually to prevent the adulteration of food and the sale of food which is adulterated ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of Essex County ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Newton ;

Requiring guardians and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent ; and

To amend an Act relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the employment of children was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 53 to 44.

Bills :

In relation to the approval of bills for the maintenance of the State Prison, the Reformatory Prison for Women and the Massachusetts Reformatory (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To confirm certain acts of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To enlarge the powers of the school committee of the city of Boston ; and

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition Presented.*Housatonic
Railroad Com-
pany.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, petition of Foss & Company and 160 others, in aid of the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

City of Boston.

To authorize the city of Boston to extend, widen and alter the grade of certain streets in said city, and to provide for the cost thereof (reported on an order) ; and

Fishing in
North River.

To extend the time for the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill to regulate the taking of fish in North River in the County of Plymouth") ; and

Topographical
map of Massa-
chusetts.

A Resolve providing for printing the topographical map of Massachusetts (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1888) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of
Attorney-Gen-
eral and first
and second
assistant
Attorneys-
General.

A Bill to establish the salaries of the Attorney-General, and of the first and second assistant Attorneys-General (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Attorney-General), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Lincoln.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Lincoln to take land for school purposes, in addition to the amount now allowed by law, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : " *Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hutchinson

of Lexington, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolve relative to the twenty-second day of April, April 22, 1889. in the year 1889, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The House Bill to amend section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relative to the transaction of civil business in the superior court for the county of Norfolk, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out section 2; also by amending the title, so that it read, "Bill changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for civil business for the county of Norfolk." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Transaction of civil business in the superior court for Norfolk County.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill in relation to the noting and protesting of promissory notes and other obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April, in the year 1889. Obligations falling due on the twenty-second day of April.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillespie of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and sent up for concurrence. Fifth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Revere ought to pass. Revere.

On motion of Mr. Howland, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

By Mr. Means of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the estab- Election of councilmen and aldermen in Boston.

lishment of municipal voting districts in the city of Boston, for the election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards.

Transportation
of liquor.

By Mr. Howe of Hubbardston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to still further regulating the transportation of liquor.

Juries.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to giving municipal, police and district courts, and trial justices, power to empanel juries for the trial of cases arising under chapters 100, 101 and 102 of the Public Statutes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Perkins and others (taken from the Senate files of last year) that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election.

Compensation
and mileage of
the members of
the Legislature.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature.

Salary of justice of first district court of southern Worcester.

By Mr. Potter of Longmeadow, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of southern Worcester, for an increase of salary.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Sarah J.
Robinson.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson in jail in Middlesex County ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, a prisoner, in jail at Lowell in the county of Middlesex."

Disposition of
garbage, refuse
and offal.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, on an order (recommitted), a Bill authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal.

Compensation
of certain
officers in Nor-
folk and
Plymouth
counties.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties. (Mr. Alden of Middleborough dissenting.)

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company. (Messrs. Howe and Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Shaw of Newburyport and Desmond of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) Boston Elevated Railway Company.

By Mr. McDonough of Fall River, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the collection of taxes. Collection of taxes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to ratify and confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held in the year 1889, ought to pass. Town of Mount Washington.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to persuading or aiding seamen who have received advanced wages not to proceed on the voyage for which they have shipped, ought to pass. Seamen.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill increasing the compensation of witnesses ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Compensation of witnesses.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to incorporate the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks was taken from the table, and considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bottum of Northampton moved to amend the last of the pending amendments moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, by striking out the words, "and a reasonable way to pass over or cross the land of said proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks to said Great Pond for the purpose of fishing or gunning." After debate, the amendment was rejected, the pending amendments moved by Mr. Wardwell were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. New Mattakesett Creeks.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T. Rohan and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills, was taken from the table. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, April 24, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Abolishment
of the police
court at Lee.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the police court at Lee, and establishing a district court to include the towns of Lenox, Stockbridge, Lee, Tyringham, Otis, Becket and West Stockbridge, or any of them, and petitions relative to the subject, was taken from the table. Mr. Dewey moved to amend the report by striking out the words, "that it is inexpedient to legislate," and inserting in place thereof the words, "that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Reading water
supply.

On motions of Mr. Bancroft of Reading, the report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Reading for authority to introduce a supply of water from within the limits of said town, or by contract with the Wakefield Water Company, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 25, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Inspection and
construction of
buildings in
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Means of Boston, the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Grafton to issue bonds to fund Bills enacted.
its existing indebtedness ;

To supply the town of Provincetown with water ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court
of Newburyport ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To amend an Act relating to the public cemeteries in
the town of Winchester ;

Concerning the fees for pilotage of vessels in and out
of Wood's Holl harbor ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the widow of Lewis Hayden ;

Relative to the twenty-second day of April, in the year Resolves passed.
1889 ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to Orders of the Day.
legislate, on an order relative to preventing the distribu-
tion of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which
no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating
liquors are granted ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the
petition of Henry H. Faxon of Quincy, praying for the
prohibition of the sale of cider and native wines in no-
license towns ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw,
on the petitions of the Essex Agricultural Society and
others for an amendment of chapter 102 of the Public
Statutes, relating to dogs ;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to
the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's
address as relates to a national exposition in honor of the

four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of this continent, and the report of the committee on Foreign Affairs of the Congress of the United States in relation to the proposed permanent exposition at Washington ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the approval by the railroad commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power, to street railway companies in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Willis and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town of Stockbridge with water ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Quincy Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company, and to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to lease the same or any part thereof, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

For the better protection of infants ;

Relative to temporary loans by cities and towns ;

To provide for the licensing of persons maintaining boarding-houses for infants under five years of age (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Relating to the transmission of intelligence by telephone ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm a deed given by the First Congregational Parish of Dalton ; and

To further amend an Act to incorporate the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the employment of children was further considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 82 to 56.

The Bill requiring guardians and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Middlesex County was read a third time, and considered, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. On the question on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lynn; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 85 yeas to 38 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albree, John

Allen, Montessor T.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Ayres, George
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bottum, John B.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Edward F.
Brown, Orland J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carroll, Peter T.
Clayton, Horace E.
Conant, Nelson B.
Connell, Thomas H.
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Crane, Robert B.
Curtis, Francis C.
Cutting, George W.
Dallinger, Frank W.

Messrs. Dame, Luther

Davis, Joshua H.
Dewey, Henry S.
Eldredge, George D.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Ferren, Myron J.
Foote, Charles N.
Fottler, Jacob
Frost, Henry
Giddings, Theodore
Gordon, William, Jr.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Greenwood, Abner
Hale, William M.
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harvey, James W.
Henry, Robert
Heslan, John E.
Hildreth, John
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Hutchinson, John F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kimball, John W.
Leach, William W.
Lincoln, James D.
Lovell, Clarence P.

Messrs. Marchant, Cornelius B.	Messrs. Quinn, Dennis J.
McDonough, John H.	Raymond, Francis H.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Reed, George A.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Richmond, Albert E.
McNary, William S.	Ripley, John B.
Mead, Albert	Rowell, William R.
Merrill, John F.	Sanger, Chester F.
Moore, Michael J.	Stearns, George C.
Morison, Frank	Sullivan, Edward
Oakman, Henry P.	Sullivan, John H.
O'Mealey, John W.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Parks, Oren B.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Perkins, George A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Pierce, Charles Q.	Worth, Ira A.
Potter, Lurin J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Preble, William H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas	Messrs. Martin, James P.
Bliss, George	Miller, Albert E.
Blodgett, Percival	Northup, Stephen L.
Blume, Andreas	O'Neil, John W.
Bonney, J. Dean	Packard, John B.
Brewster, Charles K.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Davis, Epes	Pillsbury, Omer
Douglas, William S.	Prevaux, John J.
Ferry, William F.	Richards, James H.
Gillespie, John F.	Riley, Thomas
Gilman, Thomas K.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Shepard, Charles H.
Howe, Herbert W.	Slocum, George W.
Howes, Charles	Snow, Thomas
Johnson, Henry H.	Stanley, Stephen
Lane, Hiram B.	Stover, Martin L.
Lattimore, Andrew B.	Swallow, George N.
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Taft, Edgar S.
Macfarlane, John	Wilcox, Charles M.

Yeas, 85 ; nays, 38.

On this question, Messrs. Burke of Boston, Newhall of Sterling and Hanson of Lowell, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Leary of Boston, Kimball of Lynn and Dearing of Braintree.

On motion of Mr. Douglas of Greenwich, at half-past four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 19, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Voted, That, when the House adjourns to-day, it to be meet on Tuesday next, at two o'clock P.M. Hour of meeting.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to make their final report in print. Committee on Prisons.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, was laid over until Tuesday, at the request of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That, on and after Thursday, April 25, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at 11 o'clock A.M., except upon Mondays and Saturdays; and, whenever the House is in session at quarter before 1 o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until 2 o'clock P.M.; and, whenever the House is in session at 5 o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time. Morning sessions of the House, recess and hour of adjournment.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to place some restrictions on the sales of native wines, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday. Native wines.

A Bill in relation to the issue of mortgage bonds by street railway companies (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Mortgage bonds of street railway companies.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

A Resolve to provide for new boilers and for certain other repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Spayed dogs.

The House Report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, in relation to the Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs, that the committee was unable to agree, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the discharge of the committee, and asked for the appointment of a new committee, and that Messrs. Stevens of Worcester and Hampshire, Messinger and Hosmer, had been appointed the committee on the part of that branch. On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the appointment of a committee.

Infliction of
death penalty
by electricity.

A petition of the secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons, that said board be authorized to report to the next, instead of to the present, General Court, upon the methods of inflicting the death penalty, in order that better information than is now available may be obtained concerning the infliction of death by electricity, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Committee on
Taxation.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order that the committee on Taxation be granted the further time of two weeks to consider the matters now before them.

Reports of Committees.

Supreme judi-
cial court,—
public schools,
private schools.

Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, who were instructed to consider the expediency of requesting the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court upon certain questions of law relating to the attendance of children in the schools, reported the following order:—

Ordered, That the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court be required upon the following important questions of law, namely:—

1. What is the meaning of the words, “or, if such child has been otherwise furnished for a like period of time with the means of education,” as they are used in

section 1 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes; and especially, are the words quoted to be construed to mean that such education shall include the branches required to be taught in the public schools by section 1 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes, and chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1885?

2. Is the instruction given in a private day school, not approved by the school committee of a city or town in which a person resides, who has under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, "the means of education," within the meaning of section 1 of said chapter 47?

3. Do the words, "when the teaching therein is in the English language," as they occur in section 2 of said chapter 47, mean that all the teaching in such school shall be in the English language,—or only the teaching in such branches as are required by law?

And, be it further *ordered*, That the justices of the supreme judicial court be informed that the foregoing questions are propounded with a view to further legislation on the subject matter of the Statutes therein referred to.

The report was read, and, on motion of Mr. Dewey, the rule was suspended, and the order was adopted; and, on motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was suspended. Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order was adopted; and the motion was rejected.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for an amendment of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to the division of the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of Representatives in the Congress of the United States. Congressional districts in Boston.

By Mr. J. H. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 204 of the Public Statutes, in such manner as to include therein and make punishable by the provisions of said chapter the issuance of blank tax bills by persons not connected with the assessors' office of cities and towns. Blank tax bills.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

By Mr. Morison of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Resolve relative to examining and Gloucester and Ipswich.

defining the boundary line on tide water between the city of Gloucester and the town of Ipswich.

First Baptist
Society in
Methuen.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill to exempt certain property of the First Baptist Society in Methuen from taxation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Chief examiner
of the Civil Ser-
vice Commis-
sion.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commission ought to pass. (Messrs. Lovell of Boston and Bennett of Springfield dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Sons of Veter-
ans parading
with arms.

On motions of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. Stone of Chelsea that the Sons of Veterans may be permitted to parade in public with arms (and a petition in aid thereof), was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Newburyport
bridge.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Gloucester, the Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Newburyport for the expense of repairing the Newburyport bridge in said city, was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Discharged from the Orders.

Municipal vot-
ing precincts for
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of municipal voting districts in the city of Boston for the election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Compensation
and mileage of
members of the
Legislature.

On motions of Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, was discharged

from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, unanimous consent having been given that the matter already placed first in the orders of the day for that day should be placed second in the orders of the day.

Boston Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Alden of Middleborough, the Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Alden moved that the further consideration be postponed until Tuesday next. The motion was lost, and the bill was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, Mr. Alden moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was ordered to a third reading, and the motion to reconsider was placed first in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Compensation
of certain offi-
cers in Norfolk
and Plymouth
counties.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Lincoln to take land for school purposes, in addition to the amount now allowed by law (which originated in the House) ; and .

Bills enacted.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Revere (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to still further regulating the transportation of liquor ;

Orders of the
Day.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to giving municipal, police and district courts and trial justices power to empanel juries for the trial of cases arising under chapters 100,

101 and 102 of the Public Statutes, and the Acts in amendment thereof; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Perkins and others (taken from the files of last year) that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the collection of taxes;

To authorize cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal;

Relative to persuading or aiding seamen who have received advanced wages not to proceed on the voyage for which they have shipped;

To ratify and confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held in the year 1889;

To extend the time for the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth; and

To authorize the city of Boston to extend, widen and alter the grade of certain streets in said city, and to provide for the cost thereof; and

Resolves :

Providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, a prisoner in jail at Lowell in the county of Middlesex; and

Providing for printing the topographical map of Massachusetts;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of southern Worcester, for an increase of salary, was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly.

The Bill increasing the compensation of witnesses was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, at twenty-two minutes before two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 23, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Kimball of Lynn, petition of F. E. Abbott and 229 others of Lynn; by Mr. Mcfarlane of Lynn, petition of Samuel M. Bubier and 240 others of Lynn; by Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petitions of Richardson, Hill and Company and 162 others, and of W. E. Bowen and 155 others of Boston; by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petition of J. P. Felt and 161 others of Boston; by Mr. Holder of Lynn, petition of Bayard Thayer and 155 others of Boston; and by Mr. Stover of Haverhill, petition of Cornelius J. Dacey and 142 others of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth.

Housatonic
Railroad Com-
pany.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, petition of the city of Somerville for authority to borrow \$200,000 for high water service. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

City of Som-
erville.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The order, laid over from Friday, relative to morning sessions, recess and hour of adjournment of the House, was adopted.

Morning ses-
sions of the
House.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

To provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action (reported on an order);

Foreign corpo-
rations engaged
in selling bonds,
mortgages, etc.

To authorize the Spencer Railroad Company to sell and convey its railroad property and franchise to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company;

Spencer Rail-
road Company,
— Boston and
Albany Rail-
road Company.

Flowage of land for fish culture. To authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ; and
George F. Goold. Concerning the salary of the late George F. Goold, harbor master of Boston (being a bill introduced on leave in the Senate) ;

Were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory. To amend chapter 335 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill relating to the appointment of officers at the Massachusetts Reformatory in Concord, and establishing the salaries of said officers ") ; and

Officers of the State Prison. To amend chapter 264 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the officers of the State Prison (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill relating to the appointment of officers at the State Prison in Boston, and establishing the salaries of said officers ") ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Sittings of superior court in Franklin County. A Bill changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for the county of Franklin (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill relating to the holding of the superior court for the county of Franklin "), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Charles Street Baptist Society. A petition of the Charles Street Baptist Society for a dissolution of the corporation, and for legislation to enable it to dispose of its funds, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Empanelling of juries in Middlesex County. By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 170 of the Public Statutes, and other existing laws in relation to the empanelling of juries, that a new jury shall be drawn and sworn for each civil case tried in the county of Middlesex.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 129 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to payment of money of the treasury of a city or town for illegal purposes, and to the abuse or violations of corporate powers.

Payment of money for illegal purposes by cities and towns, — abuse of corporate powers.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel C. Hart and others for an Act to establish the validity of a certain mortgage given to them by the Cottage City Gas Company.

Samuel C. Hart, — Cottage City Gas Company.

By Mr. Harrington of Hull, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further amending the general laws relating to street railway companies.

Street railway companies.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to composition with creditors in insolvency.

Composition with creditors in insolvency.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Boston to extend its improved sewerage system.

City of Boston, — improved sewerage system.

By Mr. Alden of Middleborough, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Bristol County.

Salaries of county commissioners of Bristol County.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, in part, a Bill providing for the taxation of patented properties in use in this Commonwealth.

Taxation of patented properties.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the Woonsocket Street Railway Company to extend its tracks across the State line into the town of Blackstone.

Woonsocket Street Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill to require non-resident assignees in insolvency to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Assignees in insolvency.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to procedure in poor debtor matters ought not to pass.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

Deputy tax
commissioner.

On motions of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, the annual report of the deputy tax commissioner was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Finance.

District police.

On motions of the same gentleman, the reports :
Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of the district police ;

Notice of reduction of pay of employees by corporations.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting corporations from reducing the pay of their employees without first giving such employees fifteen days' notice ;

Abolishment of the common council of the city of Boston.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Andreas Blume for such amendment of the charter of the city of Boston as will abolish the common council and establish a frame of government by a mayor and a single legislative body of not more than 32 members ; and

Abolition of common councils.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing common councils in all cities of over 150,000 inhabitants ;

Were severally taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Haverhill.

On motions of the same gentleman, the Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

Assessment and apportionment of poll taxes.

On motions of the same gentleman, the reports :
Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to assessment and apportionment of poll taxes ;

Danvers.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. H. Shepard for legislation authorizing the town of Danvers to pay bounty or military aid to certain soldiers ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature ;

Compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature.

Were severally taken from table, and were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, pending the question on its engrossment.

Salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hugh Montgomery and others for the appointment of city and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes, and petitions relative to the same subject, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the vote whereby the report was postponed for consideration until to-morrow was reconsidered, and the recurring question on postponement was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City and town agents to sell intoxicating liquors.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, was taken from the table, and was, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to limiting and regulating the use of money in elections and securing nominations to office ; also, requiring persons contributing campaign funds in excess of a limited amount to file a statement with some public officer, setting forth the amount and purpose of the contribution, was taken from the table ; and, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, it was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 1, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Use of money in elections.

Stoneham.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Gustave Andrews and others that the town bounty be paid to certain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as a part of the quota of the town of Stoneham, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 2, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Clerkship for
the third dis-
trict court of
Worcester
County

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 2, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Employment of
minors on pas-
senger eleva-
tors.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that it shall be unlawful for any individual, firm or corporation, to employ any person under eighteen years of age for the care, custody or running of any freight or passenger elevator; and that a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, be affixed to a violation of the law providing such employment, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 2, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Investments by
savings banks
and institutions
for savings in
bonds of rail-
road companies.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, April 8, rejected the Bill authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Call of Springfield, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. T. Merrill and others for \$10,000 annually as a fund for injured firemen, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 30, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 2, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Protection of
railroad em-
ployees on rail-
roads.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who may hereafter die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 30, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Funeral ex-
penses of sol-
diers, sailors
and marines.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no conviction for the violation of the provisions of section 18 of chapter 100, and section 7 of chapter 101, of the Public Statutes, concerning the illegal sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, shall be had upon the unsupported evidence of so-called private detectives, popularly known as "spotters," was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, it was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 8, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Intoxicating
liquors, — spot-
ters' evidence.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth, in like or similar manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, it was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of for-
eign gas com-
panies.

Railroad corporations, — lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the Bill relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, it was, pending the question on its engrossment, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 30, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Employment of minors and women in manufacturing or mechanical establishments.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that "no minor under eighteen years of age, and no woman, shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than fifty-eight hours in a week," was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 7, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Salaries of the controller of county accounts and his clerks.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the controller of county accounts and of the two clerks in the office of said controller, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, it was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Rights of towns in the waters of great ponds.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the report of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving towns using the water of great ponds certain rights therein, was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 6, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

State military historian.

On further motion of Mr. Coveney, the Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian was taken from the table; and, on motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, it was, pending the question on its engrossment, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 6, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Boston, the Bill to authorize cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

Disposition of
garbage, refuse
and offal.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade ;

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Plymouth ;

To incorporate the Bourne Cemetery Association ;

To incorporate the Diocesan Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Massachusetts ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ;

Changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for civil business for the county of Norfolk ; and

In relation to the returns of births by physicians and midwives ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To further amend an Act to incorporate the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

To confirm a deed given by the First Congregational Parish of Dalton ;

Relating to the employment of children ; and

Relative to military aid ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of certain settlers occupying lands in the Madawaska Territory affected by the treaty of Washington ; and

Resolves
passed.

To confirm the acts of Fred B. Byram as justice of the peace, designated to issue warrants and take bail ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for an amendment of chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1832, relating to the division of the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of Representatives in the Congress of the United States; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 204 of the Public Statutes, in such manner as to include therein and make punishable by the provisions of said chapter the issuance of blank tax bills by persons not connected with the assessor's office of cities and towns;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to place some restrictions on the sales of native wines, was accepted, in concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House ordered to a third reading the Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties was adopted; and, the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, after debate, the bill was so ordered, by a vote of 74 to 24.

The order that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the inspection of public buildings, including schools, and the provision of additional or better means of ventilation and egress in case of fire, and regarding the orders of the State inspectors and revision thereof in certain cases, was adopted, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Bills :

To exempt certain property of the First Baptist Society of Methuen from taxation; and

To establish the salary of the chief examiner of the civil service commission; and the

Resolve relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the city of Gloucester and the town of Ipswich;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of municipal voting districts in the city of Boston for the election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Leary of Boston.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of Southern Worcester, for an increase of salary, was postponed for further consideration until next Thursday, on motion of Mr. Sprout of Worcester.

The Bill to provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend at the end of section 1, by adding the words, "since the first day of December, 1888." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the issue of mortgage bonds by street railway companies was read a second time. Mr. Woodward of Wakefield moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "majority" the words "in interest." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the Commissioners of Savings Banks was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, a prisoner in jail at Lowell, in the county of Middlesex, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relative to persuading or aiding seamen who have received advanced wages not to proceed on the voyage for which they have shipped;

To ratify and confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held in the year 1889;

To extend the time for the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth; and

To authorize the city of Boston to extend, widen and alter the grade of certain streets in said city, and to provide for the cost thereof; and the

Resolve providing for printing the topographical map of Massachusetts;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Quincy Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company, and to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to lease the same or any part thereof, was read a third time. Mr. Merrill of Quincy moved to amend by striking out all of section 2 after the word "thereof" in line 4, and inserting in place thereof the following: "as well as the whole or any part of the railway, franchises or other property of the Quincy Street Railway Company, in the event of the same being leased to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company, to any person or corporation upon such terms as may be agreed upon." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. Stone of Chelsea that the Sons of Veterans may be permitted to parade in public with arms (and a petition in aid thereof), was further considered. Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to authorize camps of the 'Sons of Veterans' to parade in public with arms, by consent of the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns." After debate, the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Albree of Boston, at twenty-one minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 24, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, petition of the city of Cambridge for authority to widen West Boston Bridge. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Cambridge.—
West Boston
bridge.

By Mr. Dodge of Wenham, petition of the town of Ipswich that the petition of said town for authority to take water from Hood's Pond shall include any available source from which water may be obtained. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Ipswich water
supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Babbitt of Berkley, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be granted until Wednesday, May 1, in which to report on matters referred to them.

Committee on
Agriculture.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bicknell of Boston, was considered: —

Ordered, That the committee on Education be granted further time in which to make report on matters now pending before them.

Committee on
Education.

Mr. Bicknell moved to amend by striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 10." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Methuen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted until May 2 to consider matters pending before them.

Committee on
Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester:—

Hour of meeting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday, April 26, it be to meet on Saturday, April 27, at eleven o'clock A. M.; and that when it adjourns on Saturday it be to meet on Wednesday, May 1, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on Railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads be granted until May 2 in which to make final reports upon matters before them.

Committee on Street Railways.

The following order was considered:—

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted until May 10 in which to make final reports upon matters before them.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "two." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

City of Boston,
— amendment
of charter.

A Bill to amend the charter of the city of Boston, relative to the making of payments and incurring of liabilities in advance of the annual appropriations (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered a second reading.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

A Bill to authorize the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital to sell certain real estate (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Records of conveyances of burial lots.

The House Bill to amend section 6 of chapter 82 of the Public Statutes, relating to records of conveyances of burial lots, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out, in lines 1, 2 and 3, the words, "Section six of chapter eighty-two of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 6;" also with the title amended, so that it read, "Bill requiring cemetery corporations to keep records of all conveyances of burial lots, and contracts in relation thereto." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, and notice was sent to the Senate:—

Petition of the trustees of the Plummer Farm School of Reform for Boys that authority be granted the Commissioners of Prisons to cause inmates of said school to be removed to the Massachusetts Reformatory or other penal institution, and that courts be empowered to revise the sentences of boys committed to said school.

Plummer Farm
School of
Reform for
Boys at Salem.

Petition of the directors of the Lawrence Industrial School that authority be granted the Commissioners of Prisons to cause inmates of said school to be removed to the Massachusetts Reformatory, and that courts be empowered to revise the sentences of boys committed to said school.

Lawrence In-
dustrial School.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, at her own request, on the petition of Hannah V. Draper for an annuity. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Hannah V.
Draper.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Marcus G. B. Swift relative to involuntary proceedings in insolvency.

Proceedings in
Insolvency.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1881, so that commissioners, as provided therein, may be appointed for each of the ponds named in said Act, instead of one board of commissioners for both of said ponds.

Great ponds.

By Mr. Haskell of Gloucester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1863, forbidding the opening of the beach between Great Pond on Martha's Vineyard and the ocean.

Opening of the
beach between
Great Pond on
Martha's Vine-
yard and the
ocean.

By Mr. Putnam of Lunenburg, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Fisher and others for an amendment of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1881, relative to the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown.

South Beach in
Edgartown.

East Side Street
Railway in
Brockton.

By Mr. Grant of Revere, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and its real and personal property.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Pittsfield.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the city of Pittsfield. (Messrs. Wilcox of Pittsfield and Leary of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Liability of
employers.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to an Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees.

Disposition of
garbage, refuse
and offal.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Contracts made
by towns.

By Mr. Smith of Leicester, from the committee on Towns, on an order, a Bill in relation to contracts made by towns.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for new boilers and for certain other repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Sewage disposal
for the Mystic
and Charles
River valleys.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the committee on Drainage, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to a system of sewerage for the valley of the Mystic, a Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and

Charles River valleys. (Mr. Dwinell of the Senate dissenting.)

By Mr. Reed of Framingham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General, in part, a Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Mary Harrington.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, from the committee on State House, on messages of the Governor relative to the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, a Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston.

By Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve providing additional furniture in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Shepard of Danvers moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. H. Shepard for legislation authorizing the town of Danvers to pay bounty or military aid to certain soldiers. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Shepard of Danvers moved to amend by striking out the words, "that the petitioner have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words, "that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to assessment and apportionment of poll taxes. After debate, the motion prevailed, by a vote of 59 to 56. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of Mr. McDonough, laid on the table.

Discharged from the Orders.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T. Rohan and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Haverhill.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 1, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 129 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to payment of money of the treasury of a city or town for illegal purposes, and to the abuse or violations of corporate powers ;

On an order relative to so amending chapter 170 of the Public Statutes and other existing laws, in relation to the empanelling of juries, that a new jury shall be drawn and sworn for each civil case tried in the county of Middlesex ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel C. Hart and others for an Act to establish the validity of a certain mortgage given to them by the Cottage City Gas Company ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing common councils in all cities of over 150,000 inhabitants ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting corporations from reducing the pay of their employees without first giving such employees fifteen days' notice; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further amending the general laws relating to street railway companies;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Providing for the taxation of patented properties in use in this Commonwealth;

To enable the city of Boston to extend its improved sewerage system;

To authorize the Woonsocket Street Railway Company to extend its tracks across the State line into the town of Blackstone;

Relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies;

To require non-resident assignees in insolvency to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth; and

To authorize the Spencer Railroad Company to sell and convey its railroad property and franchise to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend an Act in relation to the payment of fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts;

To incorporate the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks;

Relating to the Commissioners of Sayings Banks; and the

Resolve relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the city of Gloucester and the town of Ipswich;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to procedure in poor debtor matters was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

The Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Pending

ing this question, and pending various amendments moved by Messrs. Lovell of Boston, Brooks of Hanover, Morison of Boston, Sanger of Cambridge, Turner of Malden, Woodward of Wakefield, Atwood of Boston, Kittredge of Boston, Frost of Boston and Wyman of Hyde Park (which were ordered to be printed in the calendar), the House,

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 25, 1889.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley for authority to make an additional water loan. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until May 7 in which to make final reports upon matters before them. Committee on Election Laws.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday, April 26, it be to meet on Saturday, April 27, at eleven o'clock A.M., and that when it adjourns on Saturday, it be to meet on Wednesday, May 1, at eleven o'clock A.M. Hour of meeting.

The following order, offered by Mr. Slocum of Newton, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of continuing the salary of the late Hon. John C. Park, deceased, of Newton, and paying the same to his family. John C. Park.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports upon matters before them. Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports upon matters before them. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports on matters before them.

Committee on
Woman Suffrage.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Woman Suffrage be granted until Wednesday, May 1, in which to make final reports upon matters now before them.

The following order was considered : —

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be granted until Wednesday, May 8, in which to make final reports upon matters before them.

Mr. Sobier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "Wednesday, May 8," and inserting in place thereof the words "May 2." The amendment was adopted, and the order as amended was adopted and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Committee on
Taxation.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge : —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted until Friday, May 3, in which to make final reports upon matters before them.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

A Resolve providing for certain repairs at the State Primary School at Monson (reported, in part, on the report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Sittings of the
superior court
in the county of
Dukes County.

The House Bill changing the time of the sitting of the superior court in the county of Dukes County came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in section 1 by striking out all after the word "year" in line 5; also in section 2, line 2, by striking out the words "April next" and inserting in place thereof the words "June in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine." The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Officers of sav-
ings banks.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection, by that branch, of the House Bill providing that certain officers of savings banks shall not be cashiers of national or State banks or trust companies.

Marlborough
Building
Association.

A petition of S. Herbert Howe and others for the incorporation of the Marlborough Building Association was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, on orders, in part, a Bill relative to the registration of voters and the appointment of assistant registrars of voters in the city of Boston.

Registrars of voters in Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders, in part, a Bill relative to the correction of tax-bills and the registration of voters.

Correction of tax-bills and the registration of voters.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill to amend an Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Militia of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Thompson of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Andover to increase the amount of its water loan.

The town of Andover.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, that the Bill (recommitted) authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Newburyport for the expense of repairing the Newburyport bridge in said city ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

City of Newburyport.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commission was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, May 1.

Salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commission.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox of Pittsfield, the Bill to incorporate the city of Pittsfield was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same

City of Pittsfield.

gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, May 2.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to persuading or aiding seamen not to proceed on the voyage for which they have shipped ;

To authorize the city of Boston to extend, widen and alter the grade of certain streets in said city and to provide for the cost thereof ; and

To authorize the Spencer Railroad Company to sell and convey its railroad property and franchise to the Boston and Albany Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

To provide for surveying lands of the Commonwealth at the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To provide for the construction and furnishing of a building to be used as a school-room at the State Prison in Boston ; and

Providing for an examination into the subject of the net assets and permanent fund of mutual fire insurance companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Marcus G. B. Swift relative to involuntary proceedings in insolvency, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1881 so that commissioners as provided therein may be appointed for each of the ponds named in said Act, instead of one board of commissioners for both of said ponds ;

On an order relative to opening the beach between Great Pond on Martha's Vineyard and the ocean ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Fisher and others for an amendment of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1881, relative to the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to an act to extend and regulate the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees ; and

To amend the charter of the city of Boston relative to the making of payments and incurring of liabilities in advance of the annual appropriations ;

Resolves :

Providing for certain repairs at the Westborough Insane Hospital ; and

To provide for new boilers and for certain other repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Grafton Water Company was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Spencer Railroad Company to sell and convey its railroad property and franchise to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Smith of Leicester, Rule 15 was suspended.

The Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading.

Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Taft of Gloucester, Brooks of Hanover, McCall of Winchester, Hayes of Lynn and Dallinger of Cambridge moved certain amendments, which were ordered to be printed with pending amendments. (See House, No. 399.)

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, it was voted that the debate be closed at four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Morison of Boston moved that the bill, with the pending amendments, be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 44 to 91.

Mr. Brewer of Boston moved that the bill, with pending amendments, be referred to a select committee, to consist of the chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, the chairman of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and the House chairman of the committee on Railroads. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend the motion by adding "House chairman of the committee on Street Railways and House chairman of the joint special committee appointed to investigate the affairs in the office of the commissioner of Province Laws." Mr. Sohier of Beverly also moved to amend by adding "chairman of the committee on Drainage." Both amendments were adopted, and the motion of Mr. Brewer, as amended, was then rejected.

Point of order.

Mr. Morison of Boston raised the point of order that the amendments moved substantially changed the character of the bill, and therefore, under House Rule 61, the bill should be placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. The Speaker quoted House Rule 61, and stated that the rule contemplated the *adoption* of amendments which would substantially change the greater part of the bill; that the amendments were still pending and not yet adopted, and therefore ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, it was voted that the pending amendments be considered seriatim as printed in House Document No. 399, and that debate on each amendment be limited to ten minutes. An amendment moved by Mr. Cook of Weymouth, that three minutes be allowed for each member, was adopted, and the motion of Mr. Hayes, as amended, was then adopted.

After debate, Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to close debate at four o'clock. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on closing debate, Mr. Sohier moved that the debate be closed when all the pending amendments had been debated under the ten minute rule and disposed of. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, line 16, by inserting after the word "Cambridge" the words "also to some point in Cambridgeport." Mr. Coveney of Cambridge moved to add to this amendment the words "by the way of East Cambridge," which motion prevailed, and the amendment as amended was adopted.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, who moved to amend in section 1, line 15, by striking out the word "also" and substituting the word "and"; also by striking out the word "old" and substituting the words "Ward 1"; and by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, who moved to amend in section 1, lines 17 and 18, by striking out the words "in or," and in line 19 by striking out the word "also" and inserting in place thereof the word "and,"—were severally adopted. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, to section 6, were amended, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, so that they stood as follows: In line 1, after the word "thereof" insert the words "or any owner or lessee, by whose property said location is asked for," and in line 5 of the same section, after the word "thereof" insert the words "or such property owner or lessee"; and the amendments, as amended, were adopted. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, to section 11, line 8, striking out the word "or" and inserting in place thereof the words "as also the owner or lessee," was adopted. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston, to strike out the remainder of the same section after the words "corporation" in lines 18 and 19 was adopted by a vote of 96 to 60. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Turner of Malden, who moved to amend in line 12 of section 15, after the word "aldermen," by inserting the words "of the cities or the selectmen of the towns in which said interference is had or change made," was adopted. The pending amendment moved yesterday by Mr. Brooks of Hanover was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. The same gentleman moved to amend in section 1, line 34, after the word "granted," by inserting the words "and shall not run by or within 300 feet of the grounds of the Massachusetts General Hospital." Mr. Dearing of Braintree moved to amend the amendment moved by Mr. Brooks by striking out the words "the grounds of," which amendment was rejected, and the amendment of Mr. Brooks was then rejected by a vote of 60 to 85. The pending amendments moved to section 11 by Messrs. Wyman of Hyde Park, Taft of Gloucester, Dubuque of Fall River, and the further amendment moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge to the same section, having been superseded by the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston to the

same section, were not put. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Morison of Boston to section 12 was withdrawn by that gentleman. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston to section 11 was rejected. Subsequently Mr. Kittredge moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment was rejected, which motion was lost. All the remaining pending amendments, as printed in House Document No. 399, were rejected. After extended debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At three minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 26, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Warren. Read, and the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Warren.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, a Bill in relation to petitions for partition. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently, the bill came down concurred in the suspension of the rule. Petitions for partition.

Order.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester offered the following order : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions investigate the practice in vogue at the Westborough Insane Hospital of mutilating patients. Westborough Insane Hospital.

Mr. Mellen proceeded to debate the order, whereupon Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park rose and asked that the order be laid over. Mr. Mellen raised the point of order that he had the floor, and had not yielded it to Mr. Wyman. Mr. Wyman raised the point of order that, under Rule 39, his request that the order lie over was privileged. The Speaker ruled that, under the rule, Mr. Mellen, having the floor, could not be dispossessed except upon a question of order; that Rule 39, while it gives to any member the right to have the order put over at his single request, that request can only be put in under a strict construction of the rule, when the member making it has obtained the floor; and that the rule does not contemplate that this request is a question of order that allows the member making it to take the floor Point of order.

for that purpose from a member already in possession of it. This request must be made in due order of debate, the member having first obtained the floor; and, when so made, the order must go over without further question. Mr. Wyman's point of order was overruled, and Mr. Mellen's sustained. When Mr. Mellen yielded the floor, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the order was postponed until to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports on matters before them.

Committee on
Public Charitable
Institutions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports on matters before them.

Committee on
State House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House be granted until Thursday, May 2, in which to make final reports upon matters now before them.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted in concurrence:—

Committee on
Taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted until Friday, May 3, in which to make final reports upon matters before them.

The following orders were laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge:—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to report in print the result of their investigations into the subject of enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Wednesday, May 15, in which to make final reports on matters before them.

Reports:

Registers of
deeds.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on petitions of William Claffin and others that provisions be made so that registers of deeds may be appointed by the Governor or otherwise, instead of being elected by the popular vote;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making such change in the existing laws as will allow the appointment of registers of deeds by the Governor or otherwise, instead of having them elected by popular vote ; and

Registers of deeds.

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to general legislation concerning the division of towns, which will relieve the Legislature and better protect the municipalities concerned ;

Division of towns.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State aid to invalid pensioners and their dependent relatives, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kemp of Cambridge.

State aid to invalid pensioners.

Bills :

In addition to an Act to authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to the purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth ; and

New York and New England Railroad Company.

To authorize the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to extend its line, and to cross certain highways ;

(Severally reported on petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Resolve declaring unofficial the records of Massachusetts Volunteers, 1861 to 1865, and in favor of James Holehouse, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, " Resolve declaring unofficial the books entitled, ' Record of the Massachusetts Volunteers, 1861-1865.' " The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, and the Resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

James Holehouse.

Records of Massachusetts Volunteers.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to amend chapter 290 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to appeals from probate courts.

Appeals from probate courts.

Reports of Committees.

Wrecks and
shipwrecked
goods.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the powers and duties of the commissioners of wrecks and shipwrecked goods, by striking out all after the word "more," in the sixth line thereof, to the word "immediately," in the seventh line of said section. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Berkley.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to ratify certain proceedings of the town of Berkley.

Justices of the
peace,—intoxi-
cating liquors.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the penalties for violating the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, and on an order, a Bill providing for the designation of certain justices of the peace to enforce the provisions of the liquor laws.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Elisha V. Ash-
ton.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill authorizing the trustees under the will of Elisha V. Ashton to lease certain real estate in Boston ought to pass.

Sittings of the
superior court
for the county
of Franklin.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for the county of Franklin ought to pass.

Edward H.
Richardson.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Rowley to indemnify Edward H. Richardson for damages sustained while assisting to keep the peace ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

District police.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of the district police, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, May 3, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Sewage disposal
for the Mystic
and Charles
River valleys.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed:

Engrossed bills:

In relation to the approval of bills for the maintenance of the State Prison, the Reformatory Prison for Women and the Massachusetts Reformatory; Bills enacted.

To enlarge the powers of the school committee of the city of Boston;

To confirm certain acts of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society in Boston;

Granting additional powers to the New Bedford Gas Light Company;

Requiring cemetery corporations to keep records of all conveyances of burial lots and contracts in relation thereto;

To extend the time for the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth;

In addition to an Act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston; and

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Newton;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To ratify and confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Mount Washington, held in the year 1889;

To authorize cities and towns to furnish relief to soldiers and sailors, and the widows of soldiers and sailors, who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion; and

Providing for the payment of State aid;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves ;
 Providing for rebuilding the barn at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and
 In favor of Joseph Mordette ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ; and
 Providing for printing the topographical map of Massachusetts ;
 (Which originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the controller of county accounts and of the two clerks in the office of said controller, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth, in like or similar manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was further considered, and, after debate, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Bristol County ;

To authorize the town of Andover to increase the amount of its water loan ;

Relative to the registration of voters and the appointment of assistant registrars of voters in the city of Boston ; and

To amend an Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To exempt certain property of the First Baptist Society of Methuen from taxation; and

To enable the city of Boston to extend its improved sewerage system;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To require non-resident assignees in insolvency to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth; and

To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in an amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Newburyport for the expense of repairing the Newburyport bridge in said city was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway, and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend by striking out the words, "within one year," in line 3 of section 1, and inserting in place thereof the words, "after two years and within three years." The amendment was rejected. Mr. Eldridge of Chicopee moved to amend in line 3 of section 1, by striking out the word "one," and inserting in place thereof the word "two." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Reading for authority to introduce a supply of water from within the limits of said town, or by contract

with the Wakefield Water Company, was further considered. Mr. Bancroft of Reading moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to supply the town of Reading with water." After debate, the bill was substituted, by a vote of 90 to 34, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The motion of Mr. Call of Springfield to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, April 8, refused to pass to be engrossed the Senate Bill authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies, was considered, and, after debate, was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of southern Worcester, for an increase of salary, was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of municipal voting districts in the city of Boston for the election of councilmen and aldermen on the basis of precincts instead of wards, was further considered. Mr. Leary of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish certain voting districts in the city of Boston." After debate, the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the collection of taxes, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 17, as follows: "*Section 17.* The repeal or alteration by this act of any provision of law shall not affect any act done, liability incurred or any right accrued and established, or suit or proceeding to enforce such right or liability, under the authority of the laws hereby repealed or altered." Mr. Kimball of Lynn moved to amend, in section 3, in the clause relating to charges and fees, by striking out the word "two" in the line "for preparing deed, two dollars," and inserting in place thereof the word "one." The amendments were adopted, and the bill was

passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Fall River, Rule 15 was suspended.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Andreas Blume for such amendment of the charter of the city of Boston as will abolish the common council and establish a frame of government by a mayor and a single legislative body of not more than 32 members, was further considered. Mr. Blume of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words, "the petitioners have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." After debate, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 77 to 41; and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to composition with creditors in insolvency was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 3, line 10, by inserting, after the word "proposal," the words, "more favorable to the creditors." Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin rose and stated that a quorum was not present, and asked for a count of the House. A count showed that 102 members were present. After debate on the bill, Mr. McCooey of Blackstone asked for a count of the House. A count showed that 86 members were present. On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

Mr. Dewey of Boston moved that the House adjourn. On this question, at the request of Mr. Preble of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the motion was lost, by a vote of 44 yeas to 60 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Bond, Nelson F.

Messrs. Brooks, William H.
Coveney, John W.
Crowley, John H.
Dewey, Henry S.
Edwards, John
Garvey, Michael J.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Henry, Robert

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Messrs. Heslan, John E.

Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kempton, David B.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonough, John J.
 Merrill, John F.
 Morison, Frank
 Nichols, William H.
 Nolan, Joseph

Messrs. O'Neil, John W.

Pillsbury, Omer
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Sullivan, John H.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.**Messrs.** Albee, John

Barry, Richard M.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Bicknell, Thomas W.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bonney, J. Dean
 Bowman, Robert H.
 Brown, Edward F.
 Burke, James J.
 Call, Charles A.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cook, Louis A.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutting, George W.
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Dubuque, Hugo A.
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gillespie, John F.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Harris, Robert O.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hildreth, John
 Howland, Willard
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, Rufus

Messrs. Leach, William W.

Martin, James P.
 McDonough, John H.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 Milton, Henry S.
 Monahan, William H.
 Murphy, William H.
 Oakman, Henry P.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perkins, George A.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Preble, William H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Snow, Thomas
 Sohler, William D.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stearns, George C.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 44 ; nays, 60.

Mr. Witt of Boston announced that he was paired on Point of order. this question with Mr. Porter of Brockton. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park raised the point of order that it was not in order to pair on a motion to adjourn.

The Chair (Mr. Barnes of Chelsea acting Speaker) ruled that the point of order was well taken.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the House, at six minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

SATURDAY, April 27, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petition Presented.

The United
Order of the Pil-
grim Fathers of
Lawrence.

By Mr. Howard of Lawrence, petition of The United Order of the Pilgrim Fathers of the city of Lawrence for permission to hold real estate. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence :—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to report in print the result of their investigations into the subject of enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered :—

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Wednesday, May 15, in which to make final reports on matters before them.

Mr. Sohler of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words, "Wednesday, May 15," and inserting in place thereof the words, "Tuesday, May 7." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Subsequently, the vote whereby the order was adopted was reconsidered, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, the same gentleman moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment was adopted. The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was rejected, and the order was then adopted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (recommitted) of Charles T. Crocker and others, citizens of Fitchburg, to abolish the city council, as at present constituted ; and on the petition of H. A. Willis and others for an amendment to the charter of the city of Fitchburg ; and

On the order relative to making a more certain tenure of office to heads of departments in the city of Boston and other cities ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston that the mayor of said city be authorized to consolidate into one department such of the executive departments of the city government as he may deem advisable, etc. ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the charter of, and the laws relating to, the city of Boston, as to give to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the entire control of the streets of said city ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to reporting such legislation as will permit the city of Boston to construct a bridge or tunnel to connect East Boston with the city proper ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing greater care in the delivery and transmission of telegraphic messages ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, so as to define more clearly the preference intended thereby to be given, in appointments to office, to applicants who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and have been honorably discharged therefrom ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company for authority to mortgage its property and issue bonds therefor ;

On the petition of the Framingham Union Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize them to issue coupon or registered bonds, and to make mortgage to secure the same ; and

Fitchburg.

Tenure of office of heads of departments in cities.

City of Boston.

Ibid.

Tunnel from East Boston to Boston proper.

Transmission of telegraphic messages.

Soldiers and sailors, — preference in appointment to office.

Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Framingham Union Street Railway Company.

Fitchburg
Street Railway
Company.

On the petition of the Fitchburg Street Railway Company for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and its real and personal property ; and

Cities and
towns,— water.

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing by general law for the introduction of water into and by cities and towns ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Wednesday next.

Intoxicating
liquors,— con-
stitutional
amendment.

A report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Lynn.

Insurance
Commissioner.

A report of the committee on Insurance, no further legislation necessary, on Part I. of the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline.

Bills :

Lease of
Providence and
Worcester Rail-
road Company.

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to lease its railroads, property and franchises to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company ;

Safety of the
public at grade
crossings.
Plymouth and
Bourne Rail-
road Company.

To promote the safety of the public at grade crossings ;
To incorporate the Plymouth and Bourne Railroad Company ;

Railroad corpo-
rations, annual
returns of.

(Severally reported on petitions) ;
Relating to the annual returns of railroad corporations (reported on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners) ;

Feeding of gar-
bage to milch
cows.

To prevent the feeding of garbage, refuse or offal to milch cows (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Officers or
agents of cities
engaging in
contracts.

To prevent the officers or agents of a city from being engaged in contracts in which the city is a party ;

To authorize the town of South Hadley to appropriate to other public uses and to alienate certain portions of an old graveyard, and to remove human remains therefrom (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, "Bill to provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old graveyard situate in the town of South Hadley, and for other purposes"); and

South Hadley.

To provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court;

Publication of decisions of the supreme judicial court.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill (introduced on leave) to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Warren came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Warren.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to granting the committee on Taxation until May 2, to consider matters pending before them.

Committee on Taxation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pike of Topsfield, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Geo. W. Crane and others of Berkley and Dighton for an increase of the penalty for the larceny of fowl or poultry. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Wednesday.

Larceny of fowl or poultry.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on orders, a Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Poor debtor matters.

Views of the Minority of the Committee on Drainage ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the views of the minority of the committee on Drainage, on the Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River Valleys, were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

Hour of Meeting.

Hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Voted, That, when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet on Wednesday next, at 2 o'clock P. M.*Orders of the Day.*

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relating to composition with creditors in insolvency, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, was rejected. Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to amend, in section 3, by striking out all after the word “offered,” in line 8. The amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the powers and duties of the commissioners of wrecks and shipwrecked goods, by striking out all after the word “more,” in the sixth line thereof, to the word “immediately,” in the seventh line of said section, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the East Side Street Railway Company of Brockton for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and its real and personal property, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of William Claflin and others that provisions be made so that registers of deeds may be appointed by the Governor or otherwise, instead of being elected by the popular vote ; and

On an order relative to making such change in the existing laws as will allow the appointment of registrars of deeds by the Governor or otherwise, instead of having them elected by popular vote ; and

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to general legislation concerning the division of towns, which will relieve the Legislature and better protect the municipalities concerned ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to contracts made by towns ;

Relative to the correction of tax-bills and the registration of voters ;

To supply the town of Reading with water ;

Authorizing the town of Rowley to indemnify Edward H. Richardson for damages sustained while assisting to keep the peace ;

Authorizing the trustees, under the will of Elisha V. Ashton, to lease certain real estate in Boston ;

Changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for the county of Franklin ; and

To authorize the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to extend its line, and to cross certain highways ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, recommitted to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

The Bill concerning the salary of the late George F. Gould, harbor master of Boston, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Keliher of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 6, by inserting after the word "the" the word "fiscal ;" and by striking out in the same line the words, "December thirty-first," and inserting in place thereof the words, "April thirtieth." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Richards of Lynn moved to amend, in section 1, line 24, by adding, after the words "eighty-eight," the words, "and such associations or corporations shall annually make to said commissioner such returns as are required of loan and

investment companies by said section fourteen." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks was rejected.

Bills :

Relative to an Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees ; and

To authorize the town of Andover to increase the amount of its water loan ; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the issue of mortgage bonds by street railway companies, and the

Resolve to provide for new boilers and for certain other repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by adding at the end of section 3 the following words : "The officers designated by the sheriffs under the provisions of section 1 shall perform all duties and serve all processes that have been performed and served by the officers who have heretofore been designated to attend upon the court." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. McCall of Winchester raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order upon which it was based. The Speaker stated that the order on which the bill was reported referred to the public health in *cities*, while the bill referred to *cities and towns* ; also, that the order

refers only to the *cremation* of garbage, while the bill provided for the disposition of garbage by incineration *or otherwise*. He accordingly ruled that the bill was broader in its scope than the order, and that therefore the point of order was well taken; and the bill was ruled out. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

The Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, at fourteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned, the Speaker having previously announced that during his absence, on Wednesday, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill would occupy the chair.

WEDNESDAY, May 1, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Housatonic
Railroad Com-
pany.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of the Estey Organ Company and 159 others, in aid of the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
Woman Suffrage Association.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of John G. Whittier and others for an act of incorporation as the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, by a vote of 76 to 36.

Introduced on Leave.

Water used for
drinking pur-
poses.

By Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, a Bill to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns in close proximity to bodies of water into which sewage is deposited. Read and referred to the committee on Public Health, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Lowell.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a reserve police force in the city of Lowell. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Statue to the
memory of
Wendell Phil-
lips.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to appropriating money for the erection of a statue by the Commonwealth to the memory of Wendell Phillips, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reports :

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the city of Newburyport for reimbursement of money expended in the erection of Newburyport bridge, so called ;

Newburyport bridge.

On the petition of the selectmen of Newbury for reimbursement of money expended in the construction of certain bridges ; and

Newbury.

On the petition of Eben P. Stanwood and others for such legislation as will place the debt and the cost of maintaining certain bridges upon the Commonwealth, or upon the counties wherein such bridges are located ;

Bridges.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Stover of Haverhill.

A Bill to fix the salaries of official stenographers of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (reported on petitions) ; and a

Salaries of official stenographers in superior court of Suffolk County.

Resolve in favor of Theodore E. Davis (reported on a petition) ;

Theodore E. Davis.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve providing for additional hospital accommodations for men at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (reported, in part, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

The House Bill in relation to proof of notice of appointment and sales of real estate, by executors, guardians and others, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Qua of Lowell, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice of appointment and sales of real estate, by executors, guardians and others.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 33 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to give authority to search the persons as well as the premises of those suspected of

Intoxicating liquors.

illegally selling or keeping for sale intoxicating liquors. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham, and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Health, — water
supply.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the State Board of Health as relates to water supply. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, and sent up for concurrence.

Town of War-
ren.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Warren ought to pass. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Courts or pri-
vate ways.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no court or private way be laid out over private lands without the approval of the board or officers authorized to lay out town ways in the city or town where such lands are situated.

Sidewalks.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 50 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of the expense of construction of sidewalks.

Execution of
criminals.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing more humane methods in the execution of criminals, and a petition in aid of the same.

Abolishment of
capital punish-
ment.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the abolishment of capital punishment in this Commonwealth.

Gloucester, —
Essex County
truant school.

By Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Gloucester that said city be exempted from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Lawrence to be exempted from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County, and a petition in aid of the same.

Lawrence,—
Essex County
truant school.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, from the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill (introduced on leave) to better regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists for medicinal, chemical and mechanical purposes, not to be drunk on the premises.

Intoxicating
liquors,—drug-
gists.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 6 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so that all owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of the premises to be licensed shall have notice of the application for license served upon them in person.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
abutters.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for power to take and abolish private grade crossings.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road Company,
— grade cross-
ings.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to recording of attachments of real estate in registries of deeds.

Records of at-
tachments of
real estate.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill concerning the Onset Street Railway Company.

Onset Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Paige of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, on orders, a Bill in addition to and to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damage done by dogs to sheep, lambs, neat cattle and other domestic animals.

Damage done
by dogs.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill placing engineers, and others having charge of steam boilers in school buildings in the city of Boston, under the civil service rules.

Boston,—
engineers hav-
ing charge of
steam boilers in
school build-
ings.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill relating to the recov-

Sale of intoxi-
cating liquors
to minors.

ery of damages for the sale of intoxicating liquors to minors.

Sales of intoxicating liquor on election days.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to prohibit sales of intoxicating liquor by holders of fourth and fifth class licenses on election days.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Soldier's Messenger Corps ought to pass.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ought to pass.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing additional furniture in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ought to pass.

Mary Harrington.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Mary Harrington ought to pass.

State Primary School at Monson.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for certain repairs at the State Primary School at Monson ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading.

Water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Court officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties.

Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Saturday last, passed to be engrossed the Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties. After debate, the motion prevailed, by a vote of 67 to 59. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the Bill relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table, pending the question on its engrossment.

Railroad corporations, — lists of unclaimed freight.

On motions of Mr. Atwood of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the charter of, and the laws relating to, the city of Boston, as to give to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the entire control of the streets of said city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

City of Boston.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Geo. W. Crane and others of Berkley and Dighton for an increase of the penalty for the larceny of fowl or poultry, was read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to making a more certain tenure of office to heads of departments in the city of Boston and other cities ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to reporting such legislation as will permit the city of Boston to construct a bridge or tunnel to connect East Boston with the city proper ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, so as to define more clearly the preference intended thereby to be given, in appointments to office, to applicants who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and have been honorably discharged therefrom ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company for authority to mortgage its property and issue bonds therefor ;

On the petition of the Framingham Union Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize them to issue coupon or registered bonds, and to make mortgage to secure the same ;

On the petition of the Fitchburg Street Railway Company for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of funding its debt and extending its tracks, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and its real and personal property ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by general law for the introduction of water into and by cities and towns ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Plymouth and Bourne Railroad Company ; and

To prevent the feeding of garbage, refuse or offal to milch cows ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Bristol County ;

Relative to the registration of voters and the appointment of assistant registrars of voters in the city of Boston ; and

To amend chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the town of Rowley to indemnify Edward H. Richardson for damages sustained while assisting to keep the peace ;

Authorizing the trustees, under the will of Elisha V. Ashton, to lease certain real estate in Boston ;

To authorize the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to extend its line, and to cross certain highways ; and

Concerning the salary of the late George F. Goold, harbor master of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital, being the unfinished business of Saturday, was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to limiting and regulating the use of money in elections and securing nominations to office ; also, requiring persons contributing campaign funds in excess of a limited amount to file a statement with some public officer, setting forth the amount and purpose of the contribution, was further considered. Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections." After debate, the bill was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Stover of Haverhill moved to amend, in section 1, line 10, by inserting after the word "landing," the words, "except forty feet, which may be four feet above mean high water mark." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved that the further consideration be postponed until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day. After debate, the motion was lost. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 2, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at 11 o'clock A M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Witt of Boston, —

Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted until May 15 in which to make final report on matters now before them.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, —

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until May 7 in which to report on matters referred to it.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Rule 15 Suspended.

Grafton and
Upton Railroad
Company.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, Rule 15 was suspended, on the Senate Bill to authorize the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to extend its line, and to cross certain highways, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House yesterday.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Intoxicating
liquors, — drug-
gists and
apothecaries.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries, as to render the law in no-license towns permissive and not mandatory ;

Ibid.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so far as it relates to the granting of licenses of the sixth class to druggists and apothecaries ; and

Plum Island
Street Railway
Company.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Plum Island Street Railway

Company for authority to mortgage its property, and issue bonds to secure the same;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to establish the salary of the paying teller in the office of the treasurer of the Commonwealth (reported on so much of the report of the treasurer and receiver-general as relates to the salaries of the paying and receiving teller and third clerk and fund clerk in the treasurer's department); and a

Salary of paying teller in treasurer's office.

Resolve providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (reported on an order);

State Board of Health,—water supply and sewerage.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to establish the public library in the city of Lawrence, and with regard to providing a building for the same, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Lawrence public library.

A petition of J. B. Mayhew and others, that the name of the Winter Hill Universalist Parish may be changed to Winter Hill Universalist Church, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Winter Hill Universalist Parish.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to authorize the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital to sell certain real estate ought to pass, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, the Bill to authorize the Woonsocket Street Railway Company to extend its tracks across the State line into the town of Blackstone was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time,

Woonsocket Street Railway Company.

passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock the orders of the day were laid on the table; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the House took a recess until fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Changing the time of the sitting of the superior court in the county of Dukes County ;

For the better protection of infants ;

To establish a grade in the city of Malden ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Middlesex ;

In relation to the appointment of auditors by probate courts ;

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Essex ;

To include the town of Stoneham within the jurisdiction of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex ;

In relation to proof of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors, guardians and others ;

To authorize the Quincy Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company, and to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to lease the same or any part thereof ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To require non-resident assignees in insolvency to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth ;

Authorizing savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of certain railroad companies ;

To authorize the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to extend its line and to cross certain highways ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Declaring unofficial the books entitled, "Record of the
Massachusetts Volunteers, 1861-1865 ;"
(Which originated in the House) ; and
To provide for new boilers and for certain other repairs
at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;
(Which originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the
next General Court, on an order relating to providing
more humane methods in the execution of criminals, and
a petition in aid of the same ;

Orders of the
day.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing by law that no court
or private way be laid out over private lands without the
approval of the board or officers authorized to lay out town
ways in the city or town where such lands are situated ; and

On an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter
50 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of the
expense of construction of sidewalks ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on
the petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of
Gloucester that said city be exempted from bearing any
portion of the expense of a truant school in Essex County ;
and

On a petition of the city of Lawrence to be exempted
from bearing any portion of the expense of a truant school
in Essex County, and a petition in aid of the same ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the
next General Court :

On an order relative to so amending section 6 of chapter
100 of the Public Statutes that all owners of real estate
within twenty-five feet of the premises to be licensed shall
have notice of the application for license served upon
them in person ; and

On the Bill (introduced on leave) to better regulate the
sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists for medicinal,
chemical and mechanical purposes, not to be drunk on the
premises ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for power to take and abolish grade crossings ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston that the mayor of said city be authorized to consolidate into one department such of the executive departments of the city government as he may deem advisable ; and

Of the committee on Expenditures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to appropriating money for the erection of a statue by the Commonwealth to the memory of Wendell Phillips ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the annual returns of railroad corporations ;

In addition to and to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, neat cattle and other domestic animals ;

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor, by holders of fourth and fifth class licenses, on election days ;

In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Relative to recording of attachments of real estate in registries of deeds ;

Concerning the Onset Street Railway Company ;

Relating to recovery of damages for the sales of intoxicating liquors to minors ;

Placing engineers, and others having charge of steam boilers in school buildings in the city of Boston, under the civil service rules ;

To fix the salaries of official stenographers of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mary Harrington ;

Providing additional furniture for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps; and
Providing for certain repairs at the State Primary
School at Monson;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a
third reading.

The Bill to amend the charter of the city of Boston,
relative to the making of payments and incurring of
liabilities in advance of the annual appropriations, was
read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in
concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and
operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic
and Charles River valleys, being the unfinished business
of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on
ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Duggan
of Boston, it was voted to close debate at half-past four
o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr.
Howland of Chelsea moved to amend, in section 3, line
3, by striking out the word "Chelsea." Mr. Ferren of
Stoneham moved to amend, in section 3, line 4, by strik-
ing out the word "Stoneham." Mr. McCall of Winches-
ter moved to amend, in section 3, lines 4 and 5, by
striking out the words, "Winchester, Arlington." Mr.
Cannell of Everett moved to amend, in section 3, line 5,
by striking out the word "Everett." Mr. Raymond of
Somerville moved to amend as follows:—

Add at the end of section 3 the following: "The cost
of construction and maintenance of the intercepting
sewers, so called (as referred to in the said plans and
report of the State Board of Health), of Charlestown,
East Boston and Chelsea, and of that intercepting sewer,
so called, of Cambridge, which is to extend from the
Somerville line, following the general course of the
Charles River, to near the junction of Mt. Auburn and
Lowell streets in Cambridge, shall be paid by the cities of
Boston, Chelsea and Cambridge respectively, each paying
for that portion thereof which is within its limits;" also,
add at the end of section 13 the following: "If ob-
jection is made by any of said cities or towns to the
acceptance of said award, the question of its acceptance
and evidence in regard thereto and to the subject-matter
thereof shall be heard and determined, as upon an appeal
from said award, by a single justice of said court, in the

same manner as cases in equity are in the first instance heard and determined by one justice of the court, and with the same right of appeal to the full court and proceedings thereon, as to the report of testimony to the full court and otherwise, as in the case of appeals to the full court from decrees made by a single justice in equity, or the justice before whom the case is heard may reserve and report the evidence and all questions of law therein for the consideration of the full court;" also, add at the end of section 14 the following: "And said commission shall return their award into said court, and all subsequent proceedings in regard to said award or the acceptance thereof shall or may be the same as is hereinbefore provided in the thirteenth section of this act, in regard to the award therein referred to. None of the commissioners to be appointed under the provisions of this act shall be residents of any of the cities or towns mentioned in this act."

Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider the 'North Metropolitan Sewerage System' for the valleys of the Mystic and Charles rivers." After debate, the several amendments were rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T. Rohan and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills, was further considered. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills;" pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, at ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 3, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Request to introduce a Bill.

Mr. Perkins of Cambridge asked leave to introduce a Bill to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in the county of Suffolk. The bill was read, and, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, consideration of the request for leave to introduce the bill was postponed until Monday.

Daily trial list
in the superior
court of Suffolk
County.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the Washington Street Congregational Church of Quincy for legislation to confirm a title to certain real estate. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Washington
Street Con-
gregational
Church of
Quincy.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, memorial of the Lowell Board of Trade, asking for the passage of the "Bill to permit railroads or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways." Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Meigs system
of elevated rail-
ways.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petition of Julius H. Seelye and others for repeal of the law exempting mortgages from taxation. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Repeal of law
exempting mort-
gages from
taxation.

By Mr. Beck of Milton, petition of the Milton Water Company for amendment to its charter. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Milton Water
Company.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Miller of Needham, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Garbage, refuse
and offal.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal, by cremation or otherwise, for a term of years.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures be granted until Wednesday, May 8, in which to make final reports upon matters now before them.

Bills :

Revere Water
Company.

Authorizing the Revere Water Company to take an additional water supply (reported on petitions) ; and

Sale of intoxicating
liquor on
Labor Day.

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Labor Day (reported on an order and petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Lowell.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for the appointment of a reserve police force in the city of Lowell came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no legislation necessary, on the Annual Report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1888. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. White, and sent up for concurrence.

Death penalty.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, on a petition, a Resolve relative to an investigation of the various methods of inflicting the death penalty. Read and ordered to a second reading.

City Hospital
of Boston.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the City Hospital of said city ought to pass.

Salary of the
paying teller in
the office of the
treasurer of the
Commonwealth.

By Mr. Wilkins of Ashburnham, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the paying teller in the office of the treasurer of the Commonwealth ought to pass.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for printing 3,000 extra copies of the Report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage ought to pass. Report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday, for a second reading.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, that the Senate Bill (recommended) to authorize the flowage of land for the purpose of fish culture ought to pass. Fish culture. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, the Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Use of money in elections. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Election Laws and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston, was taken from the table, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day. Preservation of health in buildings in Boston.

On motions of Mr. Atwood of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the charter of and the laws relating to the city of Boston, as to give to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the entire control of the streets of said city, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, to be placed in the orders of the day. City of Boston.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

- Engrossed bills :**
- Bills enacted.** To exempt certain property of the First Baptist Society in Methuen from taxation (which originated in the House) ; and
- Authorizing the trustees under the will of Elisha V. Ashton to lease certain real estate in Boston ;
- To provide clerical assistance for the clerk of the first district court of eastern Middlesex ;
- Authorizing the town of Rowley to indemnify Edward H. Richardson for damages sustained while assisting to keep the peace ; and
- In relation to the issue of mortgage bonds by street railway companies ;
- (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

- Resolve passed.** An engrossed Resolve relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the city of Gloucester and the town of Ipswich (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

- Orders of the Day.** The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the abolishment of capital punishment in this Commonwealth, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries, as to render the law in no-license towns permissive and not mandatory ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so far as it relates to the granting of licenses of the sixth class to druggists and apothecaries ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Plum Island Street Railway Company for authority to mortgage its property and issue bonds to secure the same ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to procedure in poor debtor matters ;
and the

Resolve in favor of Theodore E. Davis ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital to sell certain real estate was read a second time, amended as recommended by the committee on Finance, by striking out the last paragraph of the bill, to wit : " All moneys received for such sale or sales shall be passed over to the treasurer of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, to be expended for the benefit of said hospital," and inserting in place thereof the words, " Any sums of money received from such sale or sales shall be paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth," and as amended was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies ;

Relative to recording of attachments of real estate in registries of deeds ;

Relating to recovery of damages for the sales of intoxicating liquors to minors ;

Placing engineers, and others having charge of steam boilers in school buildings in the city of Boston, under the civil service rules ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mary Harrington ;

Providing additional furniture in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the annual returns of railroad corporations ;

To fix the salaries of official stenographers of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk ;

To authorize the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square ; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs at the State Primary School at Monson;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in an amendment previously adopted by the House.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of John T. Rohan and others for the enactment of such laws as will change the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills, was further considered. Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Keane of Holyoke in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the word "ten"; in line 5 by striking out the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the word "six"; in line 10 by striking out the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the word "six"; and also in the same line by striking out the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the word "ten." After debate the amendments were adopted. On the question of substituting the bill as amended the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, and, the roll being called, the substitute bill was rejected by a vote of 61 yeas to 99 nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas

Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brooks, William H.
Carroll, Peter T.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Curtis, Francis C.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dearing, T. Haven
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Eddy, Lyman R.

Messrs. Edwards, John

Eldredge, George D.
Ferren, Myron J.
Gillespie, John F.
Harvey, James W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Heslan, John E.
Hildreth, John
Hixon, William S.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howard, John F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kemp, Horace G.
Kempton, David B.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Lally, James, Jr.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Macfarlane, John

Messrs. McCooey, Thomas	Messrs. Prevaux, John J.
McDonald, Peter J.	Raymond, Francis H.
McDonough, John H.	Reed, George A.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Richards, James H.
Mead, Albert	Riley, Thomas
Mellen, James H.	Shepard, Charles H.
Moore, Michael J.	Smith, Henry O.
Norcross, J. Henry	Snow, Thomas
Northup, Stephen L.	Stafford, John H.
O'Mealey, John W.	Sullivan, John H.
O'Neil, John W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Pike, Baxter P.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Gardiner, Charles B.
Albree, John	Giddings, Theodore
Allen, Montessor T.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Atherton, Ralph L.	Glasgow, Edward B.
Ayres, George	Gould, John B.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Gracey, Samuel L.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Gray, Robert S.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Hale, William M.
Bennett, John O.	Hamilton, Henry D.
Berry, Francis T.	Harris, Robert O.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Haseltine, Phineas W.
Bixby, Charles C.	Haskell, Forbes P.
Bliss, George	Henry, Robert
Blodgett, Percival	Holman, Frank E.
Bond, Nelson F.	Howe, Herbert W.
Brewster, Charles K.	Johnson, Henry H.
Brown, Edward F.	Kimball, John W.
Brown, Orland J.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Call, Charles A.	Lane, Hiram B.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Lincoln, James D.
Clemence, George L.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Conant, Nelson B.	Marchant, Cornelius B.
Connell, Thomas H.	Mendall, Noah F.
Cook, Louis A.	Merrill, John F.
Crane, Robert B.	Miller, Albert E.
Crowell, Joshua	Morison, Frank
Cutler, Nahum S.	Newhall, Albert H.
Cutting, George W.	Nichols, Edward M.
Dame, Luther	Paige, Frank E.
Davis, Epes	Parks, Oren B.
Dewey, Henry S.	Perry, Charles
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.	Pierce, John N.
Ferry, William F.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Foote, Charles N.	Porter, Charles F.
Frost, Henry	Potter, Lurin J.

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Messrs. Purrington, Ellis B.	Messrs. Stimpson, Daniel P.
Richmond, Albert E.	Stover, Martin L.
Ripley, John B.	Sullivan, Edward
Rogers, George C.	Taft, Edgar S.
Rugg, Charles P.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Russell, Irving L.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Russell, Stillman	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Sanger, Chester F.	Wales, Abijah T.
Sanger, George P., Jr.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Shaw, Edward P.	White, William L., Jr.
Sherman, Everett F.	Wilkins, John H.
Smalley, Anthony	Wood, Samuel
Sohier, William D.	Wyckoff, William A.
Spring, Charles E.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Sprout, William B.	

Yeas, 61 ; nays, 99.

On this question, Messrs. Monahan of Boston, Wilcox of Pittsfield, Leach of Palmer, Garvey of Lowell, Pratt of Abington, McDonough of Fall River, Morse of Marlborough, Leary of Boston and Murphy of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Martin of Lynn, Tripp of Boston, Pierce of Watertown, Hanson of Lowell, Bennett of Springfield, Barker of Malden, Greenwood of Ashland, Plaisted of Worcester and Oakman of Boston.

The report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, at five minutes before two o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, to suspend the rule which requires the Speaker to declare a recess at quarter before one o'clock.

MONDAY, May 6, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The following communication was received from the justices of the supreme judicial court, in response to an order adopted by the House, April 19, requesting their opinion on certain important questions of law, relating to the instruction and attendance of children in the schools: —

Supreme judicial court, — attendance and instruction of children in the schools.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The justices of the supreme judicial court have considered the questions proposed by the Honorable House by its order of April 19, 1889, and respectfully submit the following answer: —

The Constitution provides that "each branch of the Legislature, as well as the Governor and Council, shall have authority to require the opinions of the justices of the supreme judicial court upon important questions of law and upon solemn occasions." The separation of the executive, legislative and judicial departments of the government, established by the Constitution, in effect, prohibits the justices from giving any opinions to the other departments for the purpose of influencing their action, except in cases which fall within the clause above cited.

The duty of the justices in determining whether questions proposed to them by the other branches of the government fall within the true intent and meaning of this provision, is sometimes a delicate and embarrassing one. The embarrassment is the greater, when the opinion required concerns private rights. The reasons are well stated in an opinion of the justices heretofore given to the House of Representatives: "As we have no means in such case of summoning the parties adversely interested before us, or of inquiring in a judicial course of proceeding into the facts upon which the controverted right

depends, or of hearing counsel to set forth and vindicate their respective views of the law, such an opinion, without notice to the parties, would be contrary to the plain dictates of justice, if such an opinion could be considered as having the force of a judgment, binding on the rights of the parties."

5 Met. 596.

These remarks are of especial force where our opinion is asked as to the construction of a statute, the violation of which exposes the citizen to a penalty. Although such an opinion has not the force of an adjudication, yet it is, in a sense, a pre-judgment of the question proposed, and would usually be followed by the subordinate judicial officers of the Commonwealth; and any inhabitant interested in the question might well feel that his rights had been impaired by it, without giving him an opportunity to be heard.

These considerations have led us to examine with care the intent of the constitutional provision above cited, and the extent and limitations of the authority therein conferred upon the executive and legislative departments, to require the opinions of the justices.

Such opinions can be required only "upon important questions of law and upon solemn occasions." Can it be held that this provision contemplates that the opinion of the justices can be required by either branch of the Legislature, whenever its members have doubts as to the construction of an existing statute, and it would be convenient for them to know the true construction, in order to determine whether it were wise to make any amendment of the statute? If such had been the intention of the framers of the Constitution, authority would have been given to require the opinion of the justices upon any question of law. Such questions are constantly arising in the ordinary course of legislation, and they are provided for by the statute which directs the Attorney-General, when required by either branch of the General Court, to attend during its sessions, and to "give his opinion upon questions of law submitted to him by either branch of the General Court, or by the Governor and Council."

Pub. Stat., chap. 17, sect. 7.

By a solemn occasion, the Constitution means some serious and unusual exigency. It has been held to be such

an exigency when the Governor or either branch of the Legislature, having some action in view, has serious doubts as to their power and authority to take such action, under the Constitution or under existing statutes. In a former opinion it is said that "opinions have been given to the Senate and to the House of Representatives, upon the construction and effect of the Constitution and of existing statutes, with a view to further legislation."

122 Mass. 600.

This is a correct but a very general statement, and was not intended as a definition of the occasions which would justify requiring the opinion of the justices. In a late opinion it is said "the opinions of the justices can be required only upon important questions of law," not upon questions of fact, "and upon solemn occasions;" that is to say, when such questions of law are necessary to be determined by the body making the inquiry, in the exercise of the legislative or executive power entrusted to it by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth.

126 Mass. 566.

This is, more nearly, an accurate statement of the meaning of the Constitution, as applied to a case like the one before us. It is very difficult to frame any definition which will fully cover every case which may arise.

The general practical interpretation of the Constitution, since it was established, is of importance in ascertaining its meaning. Many opinions of the justices have been required and given, but it is found upon examination that they were given in cases where the branch of the government requiring the opinion had pending before it some question concerning which doubts existed as to its power and authority, or as to the power of some subordinate officer under the Constitution or under existing statutes, and where the settlement of such doubt was necessary to enable it, in the exercise of its proper functions, to act legally and intelligently upon the pending question. No case is found similar to the one before us, and we are of opinion that this is not a case in which, by a reasonable construction of the Constitution, we should be justified in answering the questions proposed by the House. They relate solely to the construction of the first and second sections of the forty-seventh chapter of the Public Statutes.

There is no doubt whatever as to the power of the House to pass any bill within the limits of the Constitution which it sees fit, in amendment or alteration of these sections.

Our opinion, if given, would not in any way affect the power of the House to repeal these sections, or to amend them or declare the meaning of them, if there is doubt about the meaning. Whatever it might be, the House might still think that it was its duty to make such changes as a majority of its members think are necessary, in order that the intention of the Legislature should be clearly expressed.

The only exigency which seems to exist for requiring our opinion, is, that members of the House differ in their views as to the construction of the statute, and, if our opinion is given, it may affect the views of some members as to the necessity or propriety of amending it.

As we have before said, this is not an unusual exigency, and does not create or present a solemn occasion within the fair meaning of the Constitution, so that we can properly give an *ex parte* opinion upon the construction of the statute in question.

For these reasons, imperfectly stated, we respectfully beg to be excused from further answering the questions proposed by the House.

We desire to add that the justices have been engaged in holding sittings of the court in different parts of the Commonwealth, so that an earlier answer was not practicable.

MARCUS MORTON.
WALBRIDGE A. FIELD.
CHAS. DEVENS.
WILLIAM ALLEN.
CHARLES ALLEN.
OLIVER W. HOLMES, JR.
MARCUS P. KNOWLTON.

Boston, May 4, 1889.

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, a Resolve providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater. Read and referred to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

State Normal School at Bridgewater.

The request of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, which was laid over from Friday, to introduce a bill to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in the county of Suffolk, was further considered. The request was granted, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Daily trial list in the superior court of Suffolk County.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, petition of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity for an additional appropriation of two thousand dollars for general expenses of said board. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Means of Boston, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that no person shall hold a license for the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors in this State, unless he is a citizen and resident of the State.

Intoxicating liquors.

The following order, offered by Mr. Macfarlane of Lynn, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to take land by purchase or otherwise, for use in target practice of the militia.

Target practice.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on Prisons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be granted until Wednesday, May 15, in which to make final report on matters before them.

Woman suffrage.

A report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others that women may be enabled to vote in presidential elections, and also in all county, town and municipal affairs; and for the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

New England Electric Exchange.

A Bill to incorporate the New England Electric Exchange (reported on a petition); and a

Constitutional amendment,—disfranchisement of persons convicted of crime.

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime (reported on petitions);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Exemption from taxation of funds held in trust by religious societies.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the exemption from taxation of funds held in trust by religious societies for the support of the ministry, and religious instruction in certain cases. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

South Hadley.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of South Hadley to raise money for the purpose of buying land and erecting an engine or hose house.

State Prison.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the officers of the State Prison, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill in relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston."

Massachusetts Reformatory.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend chapter 335 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, the Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Boston Elevated
Railroad Com-
pany.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To ratify certain proceedings of the town of Berkley ;
To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the
uses of the City Hospital of said city ; and

Orders of the
Day.

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Labor Day ; and the

Resolve providing for printing 3,000 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Concerning the Onset Street Railway Company ; and the
Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for the county of Franklin ;

To incorporate the Plymouth and Bourne Railroad Company ; and

To prevent the feeding of garbage, refuse or offal to milch cows ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital to sell certain real estate ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill last named being sent up for concurrence in an amendment previously adopted by the House.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the Bill to establish the public library in the city of Lawrence, and with regard to providing a building for the same, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian was, on motion of Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its engrossment.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving towns using the water of great ponds certain rights therein, was further considered. Mr. Pratt of Abington moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill concerning suits for damages for the taking of waters of great ponds." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Gustave Andrews and others that the town bounty be paid to certain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as a part of the quota of the town of Stoneham, was further considered. Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved to amend by striking out the words, "the petitioners have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a clerkship for the third district court of Worcester County, was further considered. Mr. Lally of Milford moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing for a clerk for the third district court of southern Worcester." Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend the bill in section 2, line 2, by striking out the word "four," and inserting in place thereof the word "three," which amendment was adopted. After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that it shall be unlawful for any individual, firm or corporation to employ

any person under eighteen years of age for the care, custody or running of any freight or passenger elevator; and that a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, be affixed to a violation of the law providing such employment, was further considered. Mr. Moore of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the employment of persons for the care, custody or running of freight and passenger elevators." Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend the substitute bill in section 1, line 3, by striking out the words, "freight or," which amendment was adopted. Mr. Leary of Boston moved to amend, in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "shall" the word "hereafter," which amendment was rejected. Mr. Miller of Needham moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word "eighteen," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteen." Mr. Sohier of Beverly also moved to amend in the same section, line 4, by striking out the word "eighteen," and inserting in place thereof the word "sixteen." The question was first taken on allowing the word "eighteen" to remain in the bill. The question was carried, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, at three minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 7, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Introduced on Leave.*Nantasket
Methodist Episc-
copal Church.

By Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, a Bill to amend chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1889, for an act of incorporation as the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Glasgow, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

*Committee of Conference.*Committee of
conference, —
spayed dogs.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Paige of Amherst and Gould of Warren as the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, on the Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs.

*Petitions Presented.*Taxation of
mortgage loans.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, petition of the assessors of Sudbury; and by Mr. Greenwood of Ashland, petition of the assessors of the town of Hopkinton, — severally, for the repeal of the law exempting mortgage loans from taxation.

Severally placed on file.

*Orders.*Committee on
Water Supply.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —
Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted further time in which to report upon the petition of Benjamin F. Dyer and others concerning the rights of the Braintree Water Supply Company, which has been referred to it.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow : —

Ordered, That on after Thursday, May 9, morning sessions of the House shall begin at 10.15 o'clock. Hour of meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Alonzo A. Miner and others in behalf of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance, for the repeal of all laws relative to the licensing of the sale of alcoholic liquors, and the enactment of a stringent prohibitory law, amended by striking out the words, "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the petitioners have leave to withdraw," accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham. Intoxicating liquors,—prohibitory law.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kemp of Cambridge. Adjutant-General, report of the.

Bills :

To promote the safety of passengers on steam railroads (reported, in part, on the report of the Railroad Commissioners) ; Safety of passengers on steam railroads

Permitting accident insurance companies to insure, under certain conditions, the liability of employers for injuries received by persons in their employ (reported on orders recommitted) ; Employers' liability insurance.

To authorize the town of Wellesley to make an additional water loan ; and Wellesley water loan.

To authorize the city of Somerville to establish a high water service, and to issue additional water bonds ; Somerville water bonds.

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston (reported on an order) [Messrs. Gillespie of Boston and Howard of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Salary of the fire marshal of Boston.

Notices of
actions against
street railway
companies.

A Bill to provide for the giving of notices to street railway companies in case of actions against them on account of defects in highways; and a

Public records
of parishes,
towns and coun-
ties.

Resolve providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Penalty for
larceny.

The House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Inspection of
public build-
ings.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the inspection of public buildings, including schools, and the provision of additional or better means of ventilation, and egress in case of fire, and regarding the orders of the State inspectors and revision thereof in certain cases, had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Taxation of
chattels.

By Mr. Packard of Conway, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Danvers.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Danvers to provide its inhabitants with electric light and power.

Revere Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Grant of Revere, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to change the corporate name of the Revere Street Railway Company.

Milton Water
Company.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Milton Water Company, and to allow it to consolidate with the Brush Hill Water Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on State House. Finance, that the Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston ought to pass. (Messrs. Wales of Attleborough, Bennett of Springfield, Norcross of Medford and Gould of Warren, dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the order that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions investigate the practice, in vogue at the Westborough Insane Hospital. Westborough Insane Hospital, of mutilating patients, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Bliss of Warren moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the words, "also to investigate the general management of said hospital." Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park asked that the order be laid over until to-morrow. The Speaker ruled that the request was not in order. Mr. Wyman raised the point of order, that the amendment Point of order. introduced an entirely new subject, and that, under Rule 39, the matter should be laid over at the request of any member. The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken. After debate, the previous question was moved by Mr. Morison of Boston, and was carried. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Bliss of Warren, was adopted. The order, as amended, was rejected, by a vote of 25 to 77.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the proprietors of the New Mattakessett Bills enacted. Creeks ;

Relating to the commissioners of savings banks ;

To amend an Act to incorporate the Grafton Water Company ; and

To enable the city of Boston to extend its improved sewerage system ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To amend the charter of the city of Boston, relative to the making of payments and incurring of liabilities in advance of the annual appropriations ;

To fix the salaries of official stenographers of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve, providing for certain repairs at the State Primary School at Monson (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the exemption from taxation of funds held in trust by religious societies for the support of the ministry, and religious instruction in certain cases, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others that women may be enabled to vote in presidential elections, and also in all county, town and municipal affairs ; and for the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the paying teller in the office of the treasurer of the Commonwealth ;

In relation to the employment of persons for the care, custody or running of freight and passenger elevators ; and

To authorize the town of South Hadley to raise money for the purpose of buying land and erecting an engine or hose house ; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to ratify certain proceedings of the town of Berkley was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the City Hospital of said city ; and the

Resolve providing for printing 3,000 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that "no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than fifty-eight hours in a week," was further considered. Mr. Leach of Palmer moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section four of chapter seventy-four of the Public Statutes, and to provide for a Saturday half-holiday for minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments." After debate, at the request of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of the substitution of the bill ; and, the roll being called, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 62 yeas to 73 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas
Barker, Thomas E.
Barry, Richard M.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bliss, George
Brady, Peter J.
Burke, James J.
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Crowley, John H.
Curtis, Francis C.
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Edwards, John
Eldredge, George D.
Ferrer, Myron J.
Gillespie, John F.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Greenwood, Abner
Harrington, Z. Taylor

Messrs. Harvey, James W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hixon, William S.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kemp, Horace G.
Kimball, Rufus
Lally, James, Jr.
Leach, William W.
Leary, Edward J.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Marchant, Cornelius B.
Martin, James P.
McCooey, Thomas
McDonough, John J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McNary, William S.
Mead, Albert

Messrs. Mellen, James H.	Messrs. Quinn, Dennis J.
Monahan, William H.	Reed, George A.
Moore, Michael J.	Snow, Thomas
Murphy, William H.	Stafford, John H.
Nolan, Joseph	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Norcross, J. Henry	Tompkins, Isaac B.
O'Neil, John W.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Parks, Oren B.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Pratt, Harvey H.	Wilcox, Charles M.
Prevaux, John J.	Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John	Messrs. Henry, Robert
Alden, Jared F.	Hildreth, John
Allen, Montessor T.	Holbrook, John D.
Atherton, Horace H.	Howe, Herbert W.
Ayres, George	Howes, Charles
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Johnson, Henry H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Kempton, David B.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Kimball, John W.
Berry, Francis T.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Lincoln, James D.
Bixby, Charles C.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Blodgett, Percival	Mendall, Noah F.
Blume, Andreas	Merrill, John F.
Bottum, John B.	Morison, Frank
Brewster, Charles K.	Newhall, Albert H.
Brooks, Horace S.	Nichols, Edward M.
Brown, Edward F.	Oakman, Henry P.
Call, Charles A.	Packard, John B.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Perry, Charles
Carter, Charles E.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Pierce, John N.
Conant, Nelson B.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Connell, Thomas H.	Plaisted, John W.
Crane, Robert B.	Porter, Charles F.
Crowell, Joshua	Purrington, Ellis B.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Qua, Francis W.
Dallinger, Frank W.	Rowell, William R.
Dewey, Henry S.	Rugg, Charles P.
Douglas, William S.	Russell, Irving L.
Eddy, Lyman R.	Slocum, George W.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Smalley, Anthony
Frost, Henry	Spring, Charles E.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Glasgow, Edward B.	Wilkins, John H.
Gould, John B.	Worth, Ira A.
Hale, William M.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Haseltine, Phineas W.	

Yeas, 62 ; nays, 73.

On this question, Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Heslan of Boston, Bicknell of Boston, Cronin of Worcester, Burgess of Fall River, Clayton of Cambridge, Garvey of Lowell, Keliher of Boston, Kennedy of Boston, Sullivan of Lawrence, Allen of Lowell, Carroll of Worcester, Morse of Marlborough, O'Mealey of Boston and Kimball of Northampton, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Milton of Waltham, Sohler of Beverly, Bond of Fitchburg, Sanger of Cambridge, Wood of Northborough, Edward Sullivan of Boston, Hanson of Lowell, Paige of Amherst, Adams of Quincy, Sprout of Worcester, Russell of Douglas, Stanley of North Attleborough, Wales of Attleborough, Tripp of Boston and Carpenter of Brookline.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved that the various amendments moved be taken up separately, in order, as they apply to the bill by sections, and that debate be limited on each amendment to thirty minutes. Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend the motion by adding thereto the words, "and no member shall occupy more than five minutes on each amendment." The amendment was carried, and the motion, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend in section 1, by striking out, in lines 37 and 38, the words, "in any way or at any point upon Boston Common," and inserting in place thereof the words, "upon any part of Boston Common or upon any public park." The amendment was adopted. The same gentleman moved to amend in section 11, line 7, after the word "located," by inserting the words, "except for rights taken for depot or station purposes between the sidewalks, but not including right of passage from the tracks to the station." The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend as follows: Add at the end of section 11 the following: "But whenever any such petition is brought under this section, said corporation may file at any time, within sixty days after the filing of said original petition, a petition in set-off in the same manner as such petition against it is allowed to be filed, and with the same rights of appeal, alleging

that the said land belonging to said original petitioner or petitioners has been benefited by the construction or operation of such railway; and the two petitions shall be heard and determined at the same time, and the amount of such benefit, if any, shall be set off against the amount of damage, if any. If on such set-off there is a balance of damage, judgment shall be entered for the original petitioner or petitioners for such balance with costs; but if on such set-off there is a balance of benefit, judgment shall be entered for the corporation for costs but not for such balance of benefit. But upon each of said petitions the respective respondents may be required to give security for the payment of such judgment as may be rendered, in the same manner as is provided as to railroad companies by chapter one hundred and twelve of the Public Statutes."

Mr. Sprout of Worcester moved to amend this amendment by striking out the words, "of such benefit," and inserting in place thereof the words, "any direct and peculiar benefit." The amendment to the amendment was rejected, and the amendment moved by Mr. Wyman was rejected.

Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater moved to amend in section eleven, lines 17 and 18, by striking out the words, "and with like effect;" also, by adding after the word "corporations," at the end of said section the words, "and, in assessing the damages, all the benefits to the petitioner's land, forming a part of the same parcel for which the claim for damages is made, or other land of the petitioner immediately contiguous thereto, may be pleaded, considered, and allowed by way of set-off: *provided, however*, that, in case it shall appear that the benefits are greater than the damages, judgment for costs only shall be entered for said railroad."

Mr. Sprout of Worcester moved to amend this amendment by striking out the words, "all the benefits," and inserting in place thereof the words, "any direct and peculiar benefit;" also by inserting after the words, "contiguous thereto," the words, "and forming part of the same parcel." These amendments were adopted, and the amendment moved by Mr. Harris, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Morison of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 11 the following words: "and *pro-*

vided, further, that in the county of Suffolk the powers conferred by this act and by section 97 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes on county commissioners to require security for damages claimed against the corporation, are hereby vested in the superior court, which in said county shall have exclusive jurisdiction to require security in such case, and to enforce such requirement by injunction against the further construction or operation of the railroad until the order of court is obeyed;" which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Woodward of Wakefield moved to amend section 6 by striking out, beginning with the words, "by said corporation," in line 41, to and including the words, "hear the same," in line 43, and by inserting instead thereof the following: "For a location under this act, it shall be competent for said aldermen, selectmen or railroad commissioners to hear and determine the same," so that the last sentence of said section shall read: "If more than one petition is brought for a location under this act, it shall be competent for said aldermen, selectmen or railroad commissioners to hear and determine the same, either separately or together, as they may deem most advisable;" which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 17, as follows: "*Sect. 17.* Neither the incorporators above named, nor the corporation formed under this act, shall have the right to sell, dispose of or exchange the franchise hereby granted, to any person or corporation, until they have completed and have in operation at least three miles of its road;" which amendment was adopted.

The amendments moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, to wit,—In section 6, line 18, after the word "and" insert the word "may," and in line 19, between the words "or" and "grant," insert the word "may;" in section 10, line 10, after the word "conditions" insert the words, "and with the remedies;" also insert a new section, to be numbered section seventeen, as follows: "*Sect. 17.* Every provision of this act shall become a part of the acts incorporating the Meigs Elevated Railway Company, so far as they are applicable to the establishment, the finances, the construction and operation of said road, as accepted by the stockholders of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company by a two-thirds vote,"—were severally rejected.

Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend as follows : In section 13, line 5, after the word "company" insert the words, "*provided*, that said style of road is first approved, as hereinafter provided." The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section eighteen, as follows : "*Sect. 18.* The city of Boston may at any time during the continuance of the charter of said corporation, and after the expiration of five years from the opening of any part of said road for use, purchase of said corporation all the franchise, property, rights and furniture of said corporation, by paying them therefor such a sum as will reimburse to each person who may then be a stockholder therein the par value of his stock, together with a net profit of eight per cent. per annum from the time of the transfer of the said stock to him on the books of the corporation, deducting the dividend received by said stockholders thereon." The amendment was rejected.

An amendment moved by Mr. Barker of Malden, to strike out, in section 13, lines 8 to 13 inclusive, the words, "upon first obtaining the approval in writing of the board of railroad commissioners, which approval, if granted, may be made subject to any conditions which said board may deem necessary or proper," was rejected.

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to insert a new section, to be numbered section 17, as follows : "*Sect. 17.* Said corporation, in the fifth year after the building and operation of any railroad under the provisions of this act, and annually thereafter, shall pay into the treasury of the city of Boston and of each city or town wherein such railroad is constructed and operated, the sum of two thousand dollars for each and every mile, and in the same proportion for fractions of miles of railroad so constructed and operated within the limits of such city or town; and the money so paid in shall be expended in building, cleansing and repairing the streets of such city or town." The amendment was rejected, by a vote of 57 to 87. After extended debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the charter of, and the laws relating to, the city of Boston, as to give

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to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the entire control of the streets of said city, was further considered. Mr. Atwood of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston;" pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House,—

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, at nineteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 8, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Construction of
certain bridges
across navigable
rivers in Fal-
mouth.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, a Bill to extend the time for the construction of certain bridges across navigable rivers in the town of Falmouth. Read, and referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

City of Boston.

By Mr. McNary of Boston, petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for a grant to said city of a parcel of land in South Boston, now leased to said city as a playground. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Minot Amsden.

By Mr. Bigelow of Grafton, petition of Minot Amsden of Grafton that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Hour of meet-
ing.

Ordered, That on and after Thursday, May 9, morning sessions of the House shall begin at 10.15 o'clock.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Assessment of
taxes, — taxa-
tion of corpora-
tions.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation in regard to the assessment of taxes, and in regard to the taxation of corporations doing business within the State ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an Act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations ;

Taxation of property of Grand Army associations.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to authorize the leasing of Tisbury Great Pond (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Tisbury Great Pond.

A Bill to incorporate the Albert Hopkins White Oaks Chapel Association, and to enable the president and trustees of Williams College to convey to the same certain property held under the will of Albert Hopkins, deceased, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Albert Hopkins White Oaks Chapel Association.

A petition of the Frank Jones Brewing Company for authority to hold certain real estate was referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused, by a vote of 55 to 44, to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule.

Frank Jones Brewing Company.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide a daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the auditor of accounts, transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings, from the beginning of the present session to April 1, 1889.

Special report of the auditor of accounts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield. (See House No. 445.)

State Normal School at Westfield.

By Mr. Dearing of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns

Water for drinking purposes.

in close proximity to bodies of water in which sewage is deposited.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School building at Bridgewater ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater."

By Mr. Bottom of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Pilgrim Fathers' Hall Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Water supply at
the State camp
ground at South
Framingham.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Insurance
Commissioner.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the Insurance Commissioner ought not to pass, for the reason that the subject matter has already been acted upon by the present Legislature.

Deputy insur-
ance commis-
sioner.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the deputy insurance commissioner ought not to pass, for the reason that the subject matter has already been acted upon by the present Legislature.

Secretary of the
State Board of
Health.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater ought to pass. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Protection of
employees on
railways.

On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, the Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the civil service commission was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Salary of the
chief examiner
of the civil
service com-
mission.

On motions of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, the report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. T. Merrill and others for \$10,000 annually as a fund for injured firemen, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

On motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, the Bill to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Supervision of
foreign corpora-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on

System of sew-
age disposal for
the Mystic and
Charles River
valleys.

further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Enlargement of
the State House.

On motion of Mr. Fottler of Boston, the Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 16, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Changing the time of the sittings of the superior court for the county of Franklin; and

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To prevent the feeding of garbage, refuse or offal to milch cows (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Bills:

To change the corporate name of the Revere Street Railway Company;

To amend the charter of the Milton Water Company, and to allow it to consolidate with the Brush Hill Water Company; and

To authorize the town of Wellesley to make an additional water loan;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the town of South Hadley to raise money for the purpose of buying land and erecting an engine or hose house was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the charter of, and the laws relating to, the city of Boston, as to give to the street commissioners, or other commissioners, the

entire control of the streets of said city, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. Mr. Atwood of Boston moved to amend the bill moved by him as a substitute for the report of the committee, in section 8, by striking out in lines 4, 5 and 6, the words, "first Monday of May in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine," and inserting in place thereof the words, "confirmation of a majority of the members of the board." The amendment was adopted. Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend the substitute bill by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof a new section, as follows: "*Sect. 8.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council; and, at the expiration of thirty days from the date of such acceptance, the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston shall be abolished." After debate, the amendment was rejected.

On the question of the substitution of the bill, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McNary of Boston; and, the roll being called, the bill was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading, by a vote of 112 yeas to 51 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Alden, Jared F.
Allen, Montessor T.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barker, Thomas E.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Bennett, John O.
Berry, Francis T.
Bond, Nelson F.
Bonney, J. Dean
Brewer, Edward W.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brooks, Horace S.
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Edward F.
Brown, Orland J.
Carpenter, George N.
Carter, Charles E.

Messrs. Church, Moses D.
Connell, Thomas H.
Cook, Louis A.
Crane, Robert B.
Crowell, Joshua
Curtis, Francis C.
Cutting, George W.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Douglas, William S.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fottler, Jacob
Gardiner, Charles B.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Gracey, Samuel L.

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Messrs. Gray, Robert S.

Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harris, Robert O.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howland, Willard
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 Martin, James P.
 Mead, Albert
 Mendall, Noah F.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Nichols, William H.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Packard, John B.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perry, Charles
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.

Messrs. Plaisted, John W.

Potter, Lurin J.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Reed, George A.
 Richmond, Albert E.
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilkins, John H.
 Wood, Samuel
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John

Alden, Thomas
 Ayres, George
 Barry, Richard M.
 Burgess, John H.
 Burke, James J.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crowley, John H.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Frost, Henry

Messrs. Gillespie, John F.

Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gould, John B.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Heslan, John E.
 Howard, John F.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.

Messrs. McDonough, John H.	Messrs. O'Mealey, John W.
McDonough, John J.	O'Neil, John W.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Parks, Oren B.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Porter, Charles F.
McNary, William S.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Mellen, James H.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Monahan, William H.	Raymond, Francis H.
Moore, Michael J.	Snow, Thomas
Morse, I. Porter	Sohier, William D.
Murphy, William H.	Stafford, John H.
Newhall, Albert H.	Stearns, George C.
Nolan, Joseph	Wilcox, Charles M.
Northup, Stephen L.	

Yeas, 112; nays, 51.

On this question, Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Cheney of Worcester, Foote of Lee, Sprout of Worcester, Haseltine of Lawrence and Bigelow of Grafton, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Kennedy of Boston, Beck of Milton, Lally of Milford, Cronin of Worcester, J. H. Sullivan of Boston and Edwards of Fall River.

Orders of the Day tabled.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the Bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to lease its railroads, property and franchises to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Providence and
Worcester Rail-
road Company,
— New York,
Providence and
Boston Railroad
Company.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox of Pittsfield, the Bill to incorporate the city of Pittsfield was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Pitts-
field.

Taxation of
patented prop-
erties.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill providing for the taxation of patented properties in use in this Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Flowage of land
for purposes of
fish culture.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 21, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the orders of the day were taken from the table.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no conviction for the violation of the provisions of section 18 of chapter 100 and section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, concerning the illegal sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, shall be had upon the unsupported evidence of so-called private detectives, popularly known as "spotters," was further considered. Mr. McDonough of Fall River moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section 18 of chapter 100 and section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, in regard to convictions for violations of the liquor laws." Mr. Pratt of Abington moved to amend the substitute bill in section 1, lines 10, 11 and 12, by striking out the words, "and who are not in the employ of national, State, municipal or town authorities;" also by striking out the same words in lines 36 and 37, and in lines 49, 50 and 51. After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 36 to 107. The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Bond of Fitchburg moved

to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian and a State naval historian, and for the preservation of the military and naval records of Massachusetts during the civil war of 1861-1865." After debate, the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 53 to 56, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of southern Worcester, for an increase of salary, was further considered. Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salary of the judge of the first district court of southern Worcester." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on holidays, election days and Sundays, and between the hours of eleven o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, was further considered. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on the Lord's day and election days." After debate, the bill was substituted, by a vote of 104 to 7, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill providing for the designation of certain justices of the peace to enforce the provisions of the liquor law, was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, at eight minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 9, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at fifteen minutes past ten o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, authorizing the purchase of lands and an appropriation therefor. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Greenfield fire district.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, petition of the town of Greenfield for an extension of its fire district. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taxation of mortgage loans.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petitions of the assessors of the town of Williamsburg and the town of Upton ; by Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, petitions of the assessors of the town of Foxborough and the town of Raynham ; and by Mr. Alden of Middleborough, petition of the assessors of the town of Middleborough, — severally, for repeal of the law exempting mortgage loans from taxation.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Manufacture of gas by cities and towns.

A report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies (Mr. Lally of Milford, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Eliza Murphy.

A petition of Eliza Murphy, that she may be made eligible to receive State aid, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the rule.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to amend chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an Act to incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church, came down concurred in the suspension of the rule. On motion of Mr. Glasgow, it was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence.

Nantasket
Methodist Episc-
opal Church.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, on a Bill, recommitted, and an order, a Bill authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal.

Disposition of
garbage, refuse
and offal.

By Mr. Harrington of Hull, from the committee on Street Railways, on an order, in part, a Bill concerning the use of electric wires for street-car propulsion in cities of more than sixty thousand inhabitants. (Mr. Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Shaw of Newburyport and Witt of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Electric wires
for street-car
propulsion.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for additional hospital accommodations for men at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State Alma-
house at
Tewksbury.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Salary of the
fire marshal of
Boston.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the Bill to establish the salary of the Insurance Commissioner was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Salary of Insur-
ance Commis-
sioner.

On further motion of Mr. Carpenter, the Bill to establish the salary of the deputy insurance commissioner was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension

Salary of the
deputy insur-
ance commis-
sioner.

of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 22, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Fitchburg.

On motions of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted) of Charles T. Crocker and others, citizens of Fitchburg, to abolish the city council as at present constituted, and on the petition of H. A. Willis and others for an amendment to the charter of the city of Fitchburg, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

District police.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of the district police, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Burial of
honorably dis-
charged sol-
diers, sailors
and marines.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Springfield, the report (S.) of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who may hereafter die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Greenfield ;

To amend chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the collection of taxes ;

To establish the public library in the city of Lawrence, and to authorize the erection of a building for the same ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Concerning the salary of the late George F. Goold, harbor master of Boston ;

To incorporate the Plymouth and Bourne Railroad Company ;

Relating to the annual returns of railroad corporations ;

Authorizing the city of Haverhill to fill and grade the landing near Washington Square ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve, providing for the support and maintenance of Sarah J. Robinson, a prisoner in jail at Lowell in the county of Middlesex (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the auditor of accounts, transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings, from the beginning of the present session to April 1, 1889, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing greater care in the delivery and transmission of telegraphic messages ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to further legislation in regard to the assessment of taxes, and in regard to the taxation of corporations doing business within this State ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

In addition to an Act to authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to the purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth ;

Permitting accident insurance companies to insure, under certain conditions, the liability of employers for injuries received by persons in their employ ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to establish a high water service, and to issue additional water bonds ;

To establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston ;

Prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by inn-holders on the Lord's day and election days ; and

To incorporate the Pilgrim Fathers' Hall Association ; and the

Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Kemp of Cambridge, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill in relation to the employment of persons for the care, custody or running of passenger elevators (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Wellesley to make an additional water loan was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime, was read a third time. On the question of agreeing to the article of amendment, the yeas and nays were taken ; and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to, in concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 84 yeas to 29 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Albree, John

Alden, Thomas

Atherton, Horace H.

Ayres, George

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Bancroft, Lewis M.

Bennett, John O.

Berry, Francis T.

Bicknell, Thomas W.

Messrs. Bond, Nelson F.

Brooks, A. Olin

Brooks, Horace S.

Brooks, William H.

Brown, Edward F.

Brown, Orland J.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carpenter, George N.

Conwell, David

Messrs. Cook, Louis A.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Davis, Epes
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Douglas, William S.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Foote, Charles N.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Holbrook, John D.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howland, Willard
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Leach, William W.
 Macfarlane, John
 Martin, James P.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Merrill, John F.

Messrs. Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Stearns, George C.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Barry, Richard M.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Burgess, John H.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crowley, John H.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Eldredge, George D.
 Gillespie, John F.
 Heslan, John E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kemp, Horace G.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.

Messrs. McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McNary, William S.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Murphy, William H.
 Northup, Stephen L.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Parks, Oren B.
 Perkins, George A.
 Pillsbury, Omer
 Snow, Thomas
 Stafford, John H.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows :—

Resolved, by both Houses, That it is expedient to amend the Constitution of the Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment, and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen ; and that said article be published, to the end that if agreed to by the General Court next to be chosen, in the manner provided by the Constitution of the Commonwealth, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The General Court may enact laws excluding from suffrage, for a term not exceeding ten years, all persons convicted of crimes against the elective franchise, and infamous crimes.

The Bill providing for the designation of certain justices of the peace to enforce the provisions of the liquor law, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the bill was rejected.

The Bill to provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend in section 13, line 4, by inserting after the word "commissioners" the words, "who shall not be residents of any of the cities or towns mentioned in this act." The amendment was adopted. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend in section 14, by striking out the first four lines, and inserting in place thereof the words, "Before the expiration of the said term of five years, and every five years thereafter, other commissioners shall be appointed." Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend the amendment, by inserting after the word "commissioners" the words, "who shall not be residents of any of the cities or towns mentioned in this act." The amendment to the amendment was adopted, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by inserting at the end of section 3 the following: "*provided*, that if, within one year from the passage of this act, the town of Melrose establishes a system of sewerage at its own expense, which shall, to the satisfaction of the State Board of Health, provide for the disposal of its sewage, it shall not be included within the provisions of this act."

Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "Melrose" the words, "or the city of Somerville." Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "Melrose" the words, "or the city of Chelsea." Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "Melrose" the words, "or the town of Stoneham." The amendments to the amendment were severally rejected, and the amendment moved by Mr. Barrett was rejected, by a vote of 32 to 81.

Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by adding at the end of section 13 the following: "Such awards to be assessed on each town or city interested, in the ratio of the entire proportion of the basis of such award in each town or city." The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved to amend as follows: Add at the end of section 13 the following: "*provided, however*, that when said commissioner shall have determined the amount due from said cities and towns, and such award shall have been approved by said court, any of said cities or towns may by petition apply to said court in the county of Suffolk sitting in equity for a decree postponing the time for payment into the said sinking fund of the amount apportioned against such city or town for a time not exceeding twenty years from the date of the issue of said bonds by the Commonwealth. The said court is hereby authorized to make such decree of postponement, if it shall appear to said court that the interests of said city or town require the postponement decreed by said court. When such decree shall have been made in favor of such city or town, such city or town shall annually or semi-annually, as the treasurer of the Commonwealth may direct, pay to the said treasurer interest on the amount apportioned against it, at the rate named in said bond, to the same amount which said city or town would have paid had such decree of postponement not been made. At the expiration of the time limited in such

decree of postponement, said court shall, upon petition of the Commonwealth or of said cities or towns, decree the amount which such city or town shall thereafter annually pay into said sinking fund, until the amount apportioned against said city or town shall have been paid."

The amendment was rejected; and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke moved to amend in section 1 by striking out all after the word "Willimansett," in line 8, and inserting in place thereof the words, "at such point as they, the said county commissioners, shall determine, after a public hearing of all parties interested." The amendment was rejected, by a vote of 33 to 64. The same gentleman also moved to amend by adding at the end of section 2 the following: "*provided*, that the cost of said bridge and land damages shall not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars." The amendment was rejected; and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

Point of order.

The Bill to promote the safety of the public at grade crossings was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the petition on which it was based. The Speaker declared the point not well taken. Mr. Morison of Boston moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee on Railroads. The motion was lost. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "wood" the words, "in woodlands;" also, in line 6 of the same section, by inserting after the word "exists" the words, "in woodlands." Mr. Sprout of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of section 2 the following words: "and either party, if dissatisfied with the decision of the commissioners, may have the same right of appeal therefrom as is provided in the case of the taking of land by railroad corporations." After debate, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to composition with creditors in insolvency was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to amend by adding at the end of section 3 the following: "Upon the filing of any such modification, the court shall order a hearing thereon as early as may be, of which the register shall send notice by mail, postpaid, to all known creditors, not less than seven days before the day appointed therefor, stating the substance of the proposal. This hearing shall be adjourned in accordance with section two of chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, the provisions of which section shall apply in all cases where a modified offer is made as aforesaid." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to contracts made by towns was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Sprout of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

The Bill to supply the town of Reading with water was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Pierce of Watertown moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow. The motion was lost, by a vote of 24 to 30. Mr. Pierce raised the point of order that a quorum was not present. A count of the House was had, and it appeared that 89 members were present. On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, a roll call was ordered; and, the roll being called, it appeared that 100 members were present, the following-named gentlemen having answered to their names: —

Roll Call.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Bonney, J. Dean
Albree, John	Brady, Peter J.
Allen, Montessor T.	Brooks, A. Olin
Atherton, Horace H.	Brooks, William H.
Ayres, George	Brown, Edward F.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Brown, Orland J.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Cannell, Joseph H.
Barrett, William E.	Church, Moses D.
Beck, Walter P.	Conwell, David
Blume, Andreas	Cook, Louis A.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.	Messrs. McLaughlin, Daniel
Crane, Robert B.	Means, Robert F.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Mellen, James H.
Cutting, George W.	Monahan, William H.
Dame, Luther	Morison, Frank
Davis, Epes	Murphy, William H.
Dearing, T. Haven	Nichols, William H.
Dewey, Henry S.	Northup, Stephen L.
Dubuque, Hugo A.	Parks, Oren B.
Eldredge, George D.	Perry, Charles
Farren, Thomas G.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Ferren, Myron J.	Pillsbury, Omer
Fottler, Jacob	Plaisted, John W.
Frost, Henry	Putnam, Charles C.
Giddings, Theodore	Qua, Francis W.
Gillespie, John F.	Raymond, Francis H.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Richards, James H.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Richmond, Albert E.
Glasgow, Edward B.	Rowell, William R.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Rugg, Charles P.
Gould, John B.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Greenwood, Abner	Shepard, Charles H.
Hale, William M.	Slocum, George W.
Harris, Robert O.	Smalley, Anthony
Hayes, Elihu B.	Snow, Thomas
Henry, Robert	Sohier, William D.
Hixon, William S.	Sprout, William B.
Howe, Herbert W.	Stanley, Stephen
Howland, Willard	Stearns, George C.
Kempton, David B.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Kimball, John W.	Taft, Edgar S.
Lane, Hiram B.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Leach, William W.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Lincoln, James D.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Wilkins, John H.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Witt, Charles T.
McCall, Samuel W.	Wood, Samuel
McCooley, Thomas	Woodward, Charles F.
McDonough, John H.	Worth, Ira A.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties was, pending the question on its engrossment, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth.

The Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor by holders of fourth and fifth class licenses on election days was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Gilman of Newton moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting, after the word "statutes," the words, "excepting those held by wholesale druggists." After debate, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 43 to 20, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 54 to 20.

The Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment; pending which, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at twenty minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 10, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. William H. Brooks of Hanover, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

Taxation of mortgage loans.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, petition of the assessors of the town of Leyden for repeal of the law exempting mortgage loans from taxation.

Illuminating gas.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of J. J. Dowd and others; by Mr. Monahan of Boston, petition of T. C. Thompson and others; and by Mr. Quinn of Boston, petition of Martin Padden and others, —

Severally, in aid of the order relative to giving cities and towns the right to manufacture and sell illuminating gas.

Severally placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston: —

Committee on Education.

Ordered, That the committee on Education be granted until Friday, May 24, in which to report on matters pending before them.

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Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Grade crossings.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the abolition of any or all of such grade crossings as are completed in recommendation and plan in the report of the special commissioners on grade crossings (amended by striking out the words, "it is inexpedient to legislate thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court"); and

Ibid.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the commissioners appointed to

investigate the subject of the gradual abolition of the crossing of highways by railroads at grade ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston.

A report of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the railroad commissioners (Mr. Brown of Salem, of the House, dissenting from so much thereof as relates to grade crossings), accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, the rule was suspended and the report was laid on the table.

Bills :

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road ; and

To authorize the city of Springfield to issue additional water bonds, and to supply the town of Ludlow with water for certain purposes ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to provide for the transfer of liquor licenses from one locality to another in a city or town came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A petition of the First Congregational Parish in the town of Arlington for authority to change or obstruct, with the consent of the selectmen of said town, certain ways traversing the parish grounds, was referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the vote whereby the House refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston ; and, the question, recurring on the suspension of the rule, in concurrence, it was suspended, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Motion to Reconsider.

Disfranchisement of voters as a punishment for crime.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, agreed to the article of amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Discharged from the Orders.

Revere Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Atherton of Saugus, the Bill authorizing the Revere Water Company to take an additional water supply was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 22, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Electric wires for street-car propulsion.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Newport, the Bill concerning the use of electric wires for street-car propulsion in cities of more than sixty thousand inhabitants was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the City Hospital of said city (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Providing for certain repairs at the Westborough Insane Hospital (which originated in the House); and

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The Resolve providing for additional hospital accommodations for men at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Labor Day;

To establish the salary of the paying teller in the office of the treasurer of the Commonwealth; and

In addition to an Act to authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to the purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston (being the unfinished business of yesterday), was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend in section 4, line 8, by striking out the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "three." After debate, the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 35 to 47, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. F. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise, was further considered. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to danger signals on railroads." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 42 to 46, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the civil service commission was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday; pending which, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at four minutes past one o'clock, adjourned (the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, to suspend the rule which requires the Speaker to declare a recess at quarter before one o'clock).

MONDAY, May 13, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Towns of
Ipswich and
Essex.

By Mr. Haskell of Gloucester, a petition of William Howe Burnham and others for legislation to define the boundary line between the towns of Ipswich and Essex. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Dracut Water
Supply Com-
pany.

By Mr. Connell of Dracut, petition of Martin L. Bassett and others for legislation to incorporate the Dracut Water Supply Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Illuminating
gas.

By Mr. Edwards of Fall River, petition of Patrick Barry and others, in aid of the order relative to giving cities and towns the right to manufacture and sell illuminating gas. Placed on file.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted:—

Committee on
Education.

Ordered, That the committee on Education be granted until Friday, May 24, in which to report on matters pending before them.

Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted until Wednesday, May 22, in which to report on matters now before them.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be granted until Thursday, May 23, in which to make final report on matters before them. Committee on Prisons.

A report of the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 as relates to the taxation of the surplus funds of savings banks, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Taxation of surplus funds of savings banks.

Bills :

To prevent trespass upon railroads (reported, in part, on the report of the railroad commissioners) ; and Trespass on railroads.

To supply the town of Ipswich with water (reported on petitions) ; Ipswich water supply.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Marine Society at Salem to accept the trusts created by the will of Henry Barr, and to administer the same ; and Marine Society at Salem.

Authorizing title insurance companies to examine and guarantee titles to personal property, as well as real estate (being a new draft of a House Bill with the title, " Bill amending an Act authorizing the formation of corporations to examine and guarantee titles to real estate ") ; Title insurance companies.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns of registers of deeds. Abstract of returns of registers of deeds.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns of sheriffs. Abstract of returns of sheriffs.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Pratt of Abington.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order Voting precincts.

relative to providing a larger number of voting precincts in cities and towns.

Electric light
companies.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing any electric light company from placing its wires in such close proximity to those of a telephone company or private owner as to interfere in their efficient service.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the American Bell Telephone Company to increase its capital stock. (Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

South Hadley.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the town of South Hadley to appropriate to other public uses and to alienate certain portions of an old graveyard, and to remove human remains therefrom, ought to pass.

Lowell reserve
police force.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the appointment of a reserve police force in the city of Lowell ought to pass.

The Albert
Hopkins White
Oak Chapel
Association.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to incorporate the Albert Hopkins White Oak Chapel Association, and to enable the president and trustees of Williams College to convey to the same certain property held under the will of Albert Hopkins, deceased, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Protection of
railroads, —
danger signals
on railroads.

Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of D. Nelligan and others for legislation for the better protection of railroad employees by danger signals or otherwise. After debate, the motion was lost, by a vote of 48 to 84.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the report of the Commissioners of Public Records of Parishes, Town and Counties, on the custody and condition of the public records of parishes, towns and counties, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Commissioners
of Public
Records of
Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

On motions of Mr. Brown of Salem, the report of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Railroad
Commissioners.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

State Normal
School at
Westfield.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, the Bill relating to procedure in poor debtor matters was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Sprout of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of section 7 the following: "*provided, however, that the justice of any such court may purchase, for the use of the court, suitable law books, which shall be the property of the county, not exceeding in cost in any one year the amount of poor debtor fees accounted for by the clerk, or by the justice, when there is no clerk; the bills therefor to be certified, allowed and paid as provided in Public Statutes, chapter 154, section 24.*"

Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly raised the point of order that the amendment was broader in its scope than the orders upon which the bill was reported. The Speaker stated that the orders related to amending the law concerning proceedings in poor debtor matters, and to the regulation of fees in poor debtor cases; and that the amendment pro-

Point of order.

posed new legislation regarding the disposition of the fees in a manner not contemplated in the orders, and therefore declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. Mr. Sprout also moved to amend by striking out section 9, as follows: "*Sect. 9.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Officers of
Massachusetts
Reformatory.

On further motion of Mr. Preble, the Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 21, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Officers of the
State Prison at
Boston.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill in relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 21, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of the
property of
Grand Army
associations.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an Act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Salary of the
fire marshal of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the Bill to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommended to the committee on Finance.

Manufacture,
sale and distri-
bution of illu-
minating gas by
cities and towns.

On motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the

plants of existing companies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Woonsocket Street Railway Company of Woonsocket, in the State of Rhode Island, to extend its tracks across the State line into the town of Blackstone ; Bills enacted.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Bristol ; and

Relative to the registration of voters and the appointment of assistant registrars of voters in the city of Boston ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital to sell certain real estate ; and

To authorize the town of Wellesley to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To promote the safety of passengers on steam railroads ; Orders of the Day.

Authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal ;

To authorize the city of Springfield to issue additional water bonds, and to supply the town of Ludlow with water for certain purposes ; and the

Resolve relative to an investigation of the various methods of inflicting the death penalty ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To change the corporate name of the Revere Street Railway Company ; and

To incorporate the Pilgrim Fathers' Hall Association ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves :

Providing for additional hospital accommodations for men at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

In favor of Theodore E. Davis ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the chief examiner of the civil service commissioner, being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 90 to 41.

The Bill to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend in section 1 by striking out all down to the word "shall," in line 18, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Sect. 1.* The commissioners of savings banks shall, in addition to their present duties, act as a board of supervisors of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and said commissioners;" also strike out all the words in lines 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 of the same section, and insert in place thereof the words, "He shall not be in the employ of, own any stock in, or be in any way directly or indirectly interested pecuniarily in, any association or corporation doing business in this Commonwealth and organized under the laws of another State, to sell, offer for sale, or negotiate bonds or notes secured by deed of trust or mortgage of real estate or choses in action owned, issued, negotiated or guaranteed by it;" also, in section 2, lines 7 and 8, by striking out the word "commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the words, "savings bank commissioners as;" also, in section 3, line 10, by striking out the word "commissioner," in both instances, and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners;" also, in section 4, line 1, by striking out the word "commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners;" also, in section 5, line 1, by striking out the word "commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners;" also, in section 6, lines 1, 2 and 3, by striking out the words, "The compensation of the commissioner shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum," and inserting in place thereof the words, "The savings bank commissioners shall receive annually for their work five hundred dollars each;" also, in sections 7, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the word "commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners."

Pending the question upon the amendments, Mr. Wales of Attleborough raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, as, under House Rule 42, bills involving an expenditure of public money should be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth. The Speaker stated that it was evident that the bill provided for the payment of money out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, and ruled that the point of order was well taken. The bill, with the pending amendments, was referred to the committee on Finance.

The Bill providing for the taxation of patented properties in use in this Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by adding, after the word "store," the words, "manufacturing establishments." The amendment was adopted. Subsequently, Mr. Rowell of Methuen moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment was adopted. After debate, the motion prevailed; and, the question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was rejected.

Mr. Rowell of Methuen moved to amend in section 1, line 9, by adding, after the word "same," the words, "by an assessment thereon separate from all other assessments of personal property;" also by adding, at the end of section 2, the words, "and shall apply to taxes assessed and collected for the present year, in the same manner and to the same effect as if it had been in force on the first day of May." The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* For the purpose of taxation, the property, as described in section one of this act, shall not be valued at more than the actual cost of material and labor." The amendment was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At twenty minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 14, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Frances M.
Wilbar.

By Mr. Cook of Weymouth, petition of Frances M. Wilbar that she may be entitled to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Washington
Street Metho-
dist Episcopal
Church of
Brookline.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the trustees of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Brookline for legislation to confirm their corporation and correct defects therein. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule :—

Eels, clams,
quahaugs, and
scallops.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 68 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, by adding after the word "regulate," in line 3 of said section, the words, "or prohibit," so that said section shall read as follows: "*Sect. 68.* The mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns, when so instructed by their cities and towns, may control and regulate or prohibit the taking of eels, clams, quahaugs and scallops within the same," etc.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence :—

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be granted until Thursday, May 23, in which to make final report on matters before them.

Bills :

Board of Gas
Commissioners.

To change the name of the Board of Gas Commissioners (reported on the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners) ;

To incorporate the Marlborough Building Association (reported on a petition);

Authorizing cities and towns to take land for parade drill and target practice of the militia; and

To give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules;

Marlborough Building Association.

Parade drill and target practice of the militia.

Preference in appointments to office to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

(Severally reported on an order);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill authorizing towns to elect cemetery commissioners, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Cemetery commissioners in towns.

The House Bill to amend chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled, "An Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Militia.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill repealing sections 32 and 33 of chapter 23 of the Public Statutes relating to the duties of boards of examiners; also, that the House petition of the town of Greenfield for an extension of its fire district had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Duties of boards of examiners.

Greenfield fire district.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Hammond Reed and others, with an order, in relation to amending chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the Cary Library, so as to give the citizens of Lexington the choice of a number of trustees of said library. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Cary Library.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, the Bill to authorize the leasing of Tisbury Great Pond was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension

Tisbury Great Pond.

of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On further motion of the same gentleman, the rules were further suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide for the transfer of liquor licenses from one locality to another in a city or town ;

In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to investments of safe deposit, loan and trust companies (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing a larger number of voting precincts in cities and towns ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing any electric company from placing its wires in such close proximity to those of a telephone company or private owner as to interfere in their efficient service ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns in close proximity to bodies of water into which sewage is deposited, was accepted. Subsequently, Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to reconsider the vote whereby the report was accepted, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To incorporate the New England Electric Exchange ;

To authorize the town of Danvers to provide its inhabitants with electric light and power ;

To provide for the appointment of a reserve police force in the city of Lowell ;

To authorize the town of South Hadley to appropriate to other public uses and to alienate certain portions of an old graveyard, and to remove human remains therefrom;

To incorporate The Albert Hopkins White Oak Chapel Association, and to enable the president and trustees of Williams College to convey to the same certain property held under the will of Albert Hopkins, deceased; and

To supply the town of Ipswich with water;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on the Lord's day and election days, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, by adding a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3. Nothing herein contained shall be held to repeal or modify chapter one hundred eighty-six of the Acts of the present year, being an Act relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on days of special elections in cities.*" The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to establish a high water service, and to issue additional water bonds, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to lease its railroads, property and franchises to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 1 by striking out at the end thereof the words, "without the consent of the Legislature of Massachusetts," and inserting in place thereof the following: "Or allow said leased road to be operated by any other road, under any business arrangement or contract: and *provided, further*, that if said lessee shall lease its own road, or allow the same to be operated by any other road or corporation, then this lease shall be void and of no effect."

• Mr. Brown of Salem moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "Nor shall the lessee exact any higher passenger rate per mile, or any higher freight rates per ton per mile, from the travel and traffic

over the road of the lessor than is now exacted by the lessor from such travel and traffic; nor shall the lessee exact any higher rates from the travel and traffic on the road of the lessor than the lessee exacts from the travel and traffic on its own road. And the lessee shall annually make such returns to the lessor as the railroad commissioners of Massachusetts require from railroads not leased to other corporations, and the lessor shall file such returns with the railroad commissioners."

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "*Provided*, That the terms and conditions of said lease shall not allow any dividends, money or other equivalent to be paid upon or given for any stock of said Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, which was not issued on or before the first day of May, 1889." After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 111 to 24.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. T. Merrill and others for \$10,000 annually as a fund for injured firemen, was further considered. Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association." During the debate, Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester read from the Blue Book of 1888 a veto message of the Governor, returning to the Senate, with his objections, a "Bill appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association."

Point of order.

Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park raised the point of order that the remarks were not in order, since it was not in order for a member to refer to the action of the Executive to influence the action of the members. The Speaker (Mr. Morison of Boston in the chair) declared the point not well taken, stating that it was in order for a member to read from a public document. After debate, the bill was substituted, and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G. A. R., for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who may hereafter die without sufficient means

to defray their funeral expenses, and for suitable headstones to mark the graves of the same, was further considered. Mr. Brooks of Springfield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing for the burial of deceased indigent or friendless ex-Union soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war." After debate, the bill was substituted, and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted) of Charles T. Crocker and others, citizens of Fitchburg, to abolish the city council as at present constituted; and on the petition of H. A. Willis and others for an amendment to the charter of the city of Fitchburg, was further considered. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fitchburg." After debate, the bill was substituted and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill in relation to contracts made by towns was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to amend by striking out section 4. After debate, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 28 to 18, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in Norfolk and Plymouth counties was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to amend in section 1, lines 7 and 8, by striking out the words, "one thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words, "seven hundred and fifty;" also, in line 13 of the same section, by striking out the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word "five." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to and to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, neat cattle and other domestic animals, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, by striking out section 1, and substituting therefor the following: "Section ninety-eight of chapter one hundred and two

of the Public Statutes is hereby repealed, and the following is substituted therefor: *Sect. 98.* Whoever suffers loss by the worrying, maiming or killing of his sheep, lambs; fowls or other domestic animals by dogs, may inform the mayor of the city or the chairman, of the selectmen of the town wherein the damage was done, who shall proceed to the premises where the damage was done, and determine whether the same was inflicted by dogs, and, if so, appraise the amount thereof, if not exceeding twenty dollars; if, in the opinion of said mayor or chairman, the amount of said damage exceeds twenty dollars, he shall appoint two disinterested persons, who, with himself, shall appraise under oath the amount thereof. The said appraisers shall also consider and include in such damages the labor and time necessarily expended in the finding and collecting of the sheep, lambs, neat cattle and other domestic animals so injured or separated, and the value of those lost or otherwise damaged by dogs. The said mayor or chairman shall return a certificate of the damages found, except in the county of Suffolk, on or before the first day of December, to the county commissioners; who, during the month of December, shall examine all such bills, and, if any doubt exists, may summon the appraisers and all parties interested, and make such examination as they think proper, and shall issue an order upon the treasurer of the county in which the damage was done for all or any part thereof, as justice and equity may require." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health was, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, recommitted to that committee, on motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough.

The Bill to establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston was read a third time and considered. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend

in section 5, line 4, by inserting, after the word "companies," the words, "except for the purposes of repairing gas pipes and laying service pipes." Mr. Duggan of Boston moved to amend in section 8 by striking out all after the word "its" in line 3, and inserting in place thereof the words, "acceptance by the city government of Boston." Mr. McNary of Boston moved to amend in section 8 by striking out in lines 6 and 7 the words, "and on said day the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston shall be abolished." After debate, pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Blume of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum was not present. A count of the House showed that 81 members were present. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to adjourn. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Lovell of Boston; and, the roll being called, the motion was adopted, by a vote of 58 yeas to 35 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albree, John

Ayres, George
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Blume, Andreas
Bond, Nelson F.
Bonney, J. Dean
Brewer, Edward W.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, Edward F.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carpenter, George N.
Church, Moses D.
Clemence, George L.
Conwell, David
Crane, Robert B.
Cutting, George W.
Davis, Joshua H.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Fottler, Jacob
Giddings, Theodore
Gray, Robert S.

Messrs. Greenwood, Abner

Harris, Robert O.
Harvey, James W.
Hildreth, John
Howland, Willard
Hutchinson, John F.
Johnson, Henry H.
Kimball, John W.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Leary, Edward J.
Lovell, Clarence P.
McCall, Samuel W.
McDonough, John H.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Mead, Albert
Means, Robert F.
Morison, Frank
Norcross, J. Henry
Oakman, Henry P.
Paige, Frank E.
Patridge, Joseph A.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Ripley, John B.
Slocum, Winfield S.
Smalley, Anthony
Sohier, William D.

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Messrs. Stafford, John H.
Sullivan, Edward
Swallow, George N.

Messrs. Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Witt, Charles T.
Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Barker, Thomas E.
Barry, Richard M.
Blodgett, Percival
Clayton, Horace E. •
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Duggan, Thomas H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Ferry, William F.
Gillespie, John F.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kimball, Rufus
McDonald, Peter J.
McLaughlin, Daniel
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Murphy, William H.
Nichols, Edward M.
Northup, Stephen L.
O'Neil, John W.
Parks, Oren B.
Preble, William H.
Richmond, Albert E.
Riley, Thomas
Slocum, George W.
Smith, Henry O.
Stanley, Stephen
Stearns, George C.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Sullivan, John H.
Taft, Edgar S.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 58 ; nays, 35.

At seven minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Gardiner of Raynham, petition of the town of Raynham for authority to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of said town in the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the settlement of Taunton. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Taft of Gloucester, petition of John W. McLaughlin and 33 others in aid of the order giving towns and cities the right to manufacture and sell illuminating gas. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

To authorize the cities of Boston and Cambridge to widen West Boston bridge (substituted for a Senate report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court);

To change the name of the Winter Hill Universalist Parish (reported on a petition);

Concerning the salary of the late John C. Park (reported on an order); and

To authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional source of water supply (reported on an order);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill relative to the dissolution of attachments of property of an insolvent debtor, in case of the death of the debtor, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Suffolk.

Foreign ships and vessels.

Washington Street Congregational Church in Quincy.

Burial of indigent soldiers, sailors or marines.

State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church.

Reply of the justices of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Suffolk.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order and a Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the filing of a copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels, that the bill ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill to provide for the filing of a copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels, and for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed as carriers of passengers."

By Mr. Gilman of Newton, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the title to certain land, and the meeting-house standing thereon, in the town of Quincy, used and occupied by the Washington Street Congregational Society.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill providing for the burial of deceased indigent or friendless ex-union soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war, ought to pass.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Snow of Marblehead, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an Act to incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church, ought to pass. Under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gracey of Salem, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Gracey, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the reply of the justices of the supreme judicial court to the questions upon which their opinion was required by an order of the

House adopted April 19, 1889, relative to the attendance and instruction of children in the schools, reported a Resolution relating to the reply of the justices of the supreme judicial court. (See House document No. 468.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the resolution.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill in relation to contracts made by towns. The motion prevailed. The question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was rejected.

Contracts made
by towns.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater, the Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, May 21, to be placed in the orders of the day.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to authorize the American Bell Telephone Company to increase its capital stock was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

On motions of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Hammond Reed and others, with an order, in relation to amending chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the Cary Library, so as to give the citizens of Lexington the choice of a number of trustees of said library, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Cary Library.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns in close proximity to bodies of water into which sewage is deposited, was further considered, and after debate was adopted, by a vote of 34 to 25. The question recurring on the acceptance of the report, the House refused to accept the report, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

Bills:

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road ;

To revise the charter of the city of Fitchburg ; and

Authorizing cities and towns to take land for parade drill and target practice of the militia ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to an investigation of the various methods of inflicting the death penalty was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was, on motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Friday, pending the various amendments and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Pittsfield was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. Wilcox of Pittsfield moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to establish the city of Pittsfield." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 41 to 98, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill permitting accident insurance companies to insure, under certain conditions, the liability of employers for injuries received by persons in their employ, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Slocum of Newton moved to amend section 1, line 17, by striking out the

word "no," and inserting in place thereof the word "any;" also, in line 19, section 1, by striking out the word "unless," and inserting in place thereof the word "if;" also, in lines 20, 21 and 22, section 1, by striking out the words, "equal to that required of two separate companies engaged in either one of these two classes of business," and inserting in place thereof the words, "of two hundred thousand dollars."

Mr. Henry of Fall River raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the orders on which the bill was reported. The Speaker (Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park) ruled that the point of order was not well taken. Point of order.

Mr. Henry raised a further point of order that if the amendment were adopted, existing law would be amended without special reference having been made to said law in the orders considered by the committee. The Chair stated that though existing law might be incidentally affected if the pending amendment moved by Mr. Slocum of Newton were adopted, yet the amendment was within the scope of the orders, and therefore ruled that the point of order was not well taken. After debate, the amendments were rejected, by a vote of 29 to 103. The same gentleman also moved to amend in section 1 by striking out in lines 1 and 2 the words, "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words, "July first, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine." The amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to promote the safety of the public at grade crossings was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Greenwood of Ashland moved to amend by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Sect. 1.* Any ten citizens of a town, for the purpose of promoting the safety of public travel, may, where the view of a railroad crossing or highway at grade is obstructed by standing wood, or other obstructions, petition such railroad corporation and notify the owner or owners of such real estate, for the purpose that the said railroad corporation and the owners of said real estate may remove said obstructions by purchase or otherwise; and if the said obstructions are not removed within sixty days from the time of the notice, then said petitioners may petition the county commissioners,

where such obstruction exists, in woodlands or other obstructions, who shall, after such notice as they deem proper, hear the parties and make such order in the premises in regard to the removal of said standing wood or other obstructions as the public safety shall demand. And the said railroad corporation shall not allow other obstructions, in place of said removal, to endanger the safety of public travel." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The report of the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Attorney-General for the year 1888 as relates to the taxation of the surplus funds of savings banks, was postponed for further consideration until Friday, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The Bill to prevent trespass upon railroads was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 2, line 4, by inserting, after the word "whoever," the words, "without right;" also, in line 13 of section 1, by inserting, after the word "station," the word "and." The amendments were adopted. Mr. Cook of Weymouth moved to amend by striking out sections 2, 3 and 4. The amendment was adopted, by a vote of 71 to 36. After debate, the bill was refused a third reading, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Miller of Needham moved to amend in line 5 by striking out the word "destruction," and inserting in place thereof the word "disposition." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to promote the safety of passengers on steam railroads was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Dearing of Braintree moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words, "*provided*, any other train is then due." Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend in section 1, by striking out all after the word "commissioners" in line 7. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was rejected, by a

vote of 40 to 54. Mr. Taft of Gloucester raised the point of order that a quorum was not present. A count showed that 94 members were present. Mr. Frost of Boston moved that the House adjourn. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Brown of Salem; and, the roll being called, the motion was adopted, by a vote of 58 yeas to 32 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, John
Allen, Montessoro T.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Ayres, George
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barry, Richard M.
Bennett, John O.
Bond, Nelson F.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brown, Edward F.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Crane, Robert B.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Davis, Joshua H.
Dewey, Henry S.
Duggan, Thomas H.
Farren, Thomas G.
Fottler, Jacob
Frost, Henry
Giddings, Theodore
Gillespie, John F.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Gould, John B.
Gray, Robert S.
Greenwood, Abner

Messrs. Harvey, James W.
Henry, Robert
Howard, John F.
Howes, Charles
Johnson, Henry H.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kimball, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Leary, Edward J.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
McDonough, John H.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Miller, Albert E.
Norcross, J. Henry
Northup, Stephen L.
Paige, Frank E.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Pike, Baxter P.
Pillsbury, Omer
Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Ripley, John B.
Russell, Stillman
Slocum, George W.
Sullivan, Edward
Swallow, George N.
Wales, Abijah T.
Wood, Samuel
Wyckoff, William A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Barker, Thomas E.
Bonney, J. Dean
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Ferren, Myron J.
Ferry, William F.
Foote, Charles N.

Messrs. Grant, Charles, Jr.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hildreth, John
Kimball, Rufus
Martin, James P.
McDonald, Peter J.

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Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Oakman, Henry P.
Packard, John B.
Parks, Oren B.
Pierce, John N.
Potter, Lurin J.
Richmond, Albert E.
Shepard, George A.
Smalley, Anthony

Messrs. Smith, Henry O.
Snow, Thomas
Sohier, William D.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Stover, Martin L.
Taft, Edgar S.
Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Witt, Charles T.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 58 ; nays, 32.

At two minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 16, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Carroll of Worcester, petition of John Rooney and others, in aid of the order giving cities and towns the right to manufacture and sell illuminating gas. Placed on file. Illuminating gas.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Rev. J. W. Hamilton and 51 other clergymen, for additional legislation for protection against dogs. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court. Dogs.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Merrill of Quincy, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester:—

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, May 21, each session of the House shall constitute a legislative day; that the hour of meeting in the afternoon shall be two o'clock; and that, whenever the House shall be in session at a quarter before one o'clock in the afternoon, the Speaker shall declare an adjournment. Two legislative sessions a day.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Hawkers and peddlers.

The House Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections, referred by the House to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the reference. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the House receded, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Use of money in elections.

Water supply
for State camp
ground at South
Framingham.

The House Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

City of Salem.

A petition of the city of Salem for permission to take certain flats in said city came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

State Board of
Health.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill (recommitted) to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for certain expenses of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Taunton
Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Bliss of Warren, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the purchase of additional real estate by the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

State Normal
School at
Westfield.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Providence and
Worcester Rail-
road Company.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to lease its railroads, property and franchises to the

New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 1, by inserting, after the word "otherwise," the words, "or allow said leased road to be operated by any other road or corporation under any business arrangement or contract." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, the Bill to authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional source of water supply, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, May 22, to be placed in the orders of the day.

On motion of Mr. Giddings of Great Barrington, the Bill to authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, May 23, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To confirm the acts of the acting city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Woburn; and Bills enacted.

Placing engineers and others, having charge of steam boilers in school buildings in the city of Boston, under civil service rules;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee;

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to lease its railroad property and franchises to

the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company ;

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Labor Day ;

In addition to an Act to authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to the purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth ;

To establish the salary of the chief examiner of the civil service commission ;

To authorize the leasing of Tisbury Great Pond ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to establish a high water service, and to issue additional water bonds ; and

To establish the salary of the paying teller in the office of the treasurer of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Mary Harrington ;

Resolves
passed.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Providing for additional furniture in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Theodore E. Davis ;

Providing for additional hospital accommodations for men at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The Senate Bill to promote the safety of passengers on steam railroads was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To incorporate the Marlborough Building Association ;

To change the name of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for the filing of a copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels, and for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed as carriers of passengers ;

Providing for the burial of deceased indigent or friendless ex-Union soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war ;

To confirm the title to certain land, and the meeting-house standing thereon, in the town of Quincy, used and occupied by the Washington Street Congregational Society ;

To authorize the cities of Boston and Cambridge to widen West Boston bridge ;

To change the name of the Winter Hill Universalist Parish ; and

Concerning the salary of the late John C. Park ; and the

Resolve providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the correction of tax bills and the registration of voters ;

To amend the charter of the Milton Water Company, and to allow it to consolidate with the Brush Hill Water Company ; and

To provide for the appointment of a reserve police force in the city of Lowell ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Springfield to issue additional water bonds, and to supply the town of Ludlow with water for certain purposes ;

To authorize the town of South Hadley to appropriate to other public uses and to alienate certain portions of an old graveyard, and to remove human remains therefrom ;

To incorporate The Albert Hopkins White Oak Chapel Association, and to enable the president and trustees of

Williams College to convey to the same certain property held under the will of Albert Hopkins, deceased; and
 To supply the town of Ipswich with water;
 Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to amend chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled, "An Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "examined." The amendment was rejected. The same gentleman moved to amend in section 1, by striking out, in lines 9 and 10, the words, "who have not a higher standing on the eligible list." On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Barnes. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the yeas and nays were ordered. The motion prevailed; and, the question recurring on ordering the yeas and nays, they were ordered. The roll being called, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 121 yeas to 40 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
 Albrece, John
 Allen, Montressor T.
 Atherton, Ralph L.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Bancroft, Lewis M.
 Barker, Thomas E.
 Barnes, Franklin O.
 Bigelow, Alden M.
 Bliss, George
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bonney, J. Dean
 Bowman, Robert H.
 Brewster, Charles K.
 Burgess, John H.
 Burke, James J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carroll, Peter T.

Messrs. Carter, Charles E.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Connell, Thomas H.
 Cook, Louis A.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Epes
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Dubuque, Hugo A.
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Foote, Charles N.

Messrs. Fottler, Jacob
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hildreth, John
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howland, Willard
 Hutchinson, John F.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Horace G.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Leach, William W.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 McNary, William S.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.

Messrs. Newhall, Albert H.
 Nolan, Joseph
 Northup, Stephen L.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Pillsbury, Omer
 Plaisted, John W.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Richards, James H.
 Richmond, Albert F.
 Ripley, John B.
 Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Snow, Thomas
 Sprout, William B.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Sullivan, John H.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wilcox, Charles M.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ayres, George
 Barry, Richard M.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Bennett, John O.

Messrs. Bixby, Charles C.
 Bottum, John B.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brooks, Horace S.

Messrs. Brown, Edward F.	Messrs. Kittredge, Francis W.
Carpenter, George N.	McCall, Samuel W.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Mellen, James H.
Conant, Nelson B.	Merrill, John F.
Conwell, David	Milton, Henry S.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Morison, Frank
Cutting, George W.	Nichols, Edward M.
Dearing, T. Haven	Packard, John B.
Grant, Charles, Jr.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Haseltine, Phineas W.	Perkins, George A.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Potter, Lurin J.
Henry, Robert	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Holder, Langdon H.	Smith, Henry O.
Howard, John F.	Sohier, William D.
Howes, Charles	Thompson, A. Cranston
Kempton, David B.	Wales, Abijah T.

Yeas, 121 ; nays, 40.

On this question, Messrs. Reed of Framingham, Kennedy of Boston, Heslan of Boston and Riley of Adams, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Douglas of Greenwich, O'Neil of Boston, Gillespie of Boston and Worth of Boston.

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment was adopted ; pending which, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Kimball, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill to authorize the town of Danvers to provide its inhabitants with electric light and power was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words, "supplying itself and its inhabitants with electric light and power," and inserting in place thereof the words, "lighting its streets and public buildings." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the New England Electric Exchange was read a third time, and considered, and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 159 to 0.

The report of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Rail-

road Commissioners, was read. Mr. Brown of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing means for protecting the travelling public against the dangers growing out of private ways across railroads at grade." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolution relative to the reply of the justices of the supreme judicial court was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

The Bill to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns in close proximity to bodies of water into which sewage is deposited was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Deering of Braintree moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the words, "or permit," and inserting in place thereof the words, "their employees to;" also, in line 3 of the same section, by striking out the word "of;" also, in line 4 of the same section, by striking out the word "yards," and inserting in place thereof the word "feet." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected, by a vote of 26 to 60.

The Bill authorizing cities and towns to take land for parade, drill and target practice of the militia was read a third time; and, pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fitchburg was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, referred to the next General Court.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, at seven minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 17, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Report Received.

Boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

The report of the commissioners appointed to ascertain and establish the boundary line between the States of Massachusetts and New Hampshire was received, and was referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Employment of children under thirteen years of age.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888 so as to provide that no child under thirteen years of age residing within or without the Commonwealth shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment in this State.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted:—

Two legislative sessions a day.

Ordered, That, on and after Tuesday, May 21, each session of the House shall constitute a legislative day; that the hour of meeting in the afternoon shall be at two o'clock; and that, whenever the House be in session at a quarter before one o'clock in the afternoon, the Speaker shall declare an adjournment.

Papers from the Senate.

Towns, — employment of counsel at legislative hearings.

A Bill to authorize towns to employ counsel at hearings before committees of the Legislature (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Australian system of voting.

A Bill to amend an Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate

voting at State and city elections (reported on orders), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the Boston Public Library. uses of the public library of said city ; and

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the Stockbridge fire district. town of Stockbridge ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by Boston Elevated Railway Company. that branch of the House Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. McCooley of Blackstone moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to prevent the use for drinking purposes of water taken from wells or cisterns in close proximity to bodies of water into which sewage is deposited. After debate, the motion was lost. Use of water for drinking purposes.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for the filing of a copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels, and for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed as carriers of passengers ; and

Providing for the burial of deceased indigent or friendless soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and the

Resolve providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the cities of Boston and Cambridge to widen West Boston bridge ;

To incorporate the Marlborough Building Association ;

To change the name of the Winter Hill Universalist Parish ; and

Concerning the salary of the late John C. Park ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolution relative to the reply of the justices of the supreme judicial court was considered. After debate, at the request of Mr. Gracey of Salem, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of the adoption of the resolution, as follows : —

Whereas, On the nineteenth day of April last this House of Representatives ordered that the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court be required upon certain important questions of law relating to the construction of certain statutes providing for the education of children in the Commonwealth ; and

Whereas, On the fourth day of May instant, said justices did send a reply to this House, not answering said questions, but denying the constitutional authority of this House to require their opinions upon the same ; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives does not acquiesce in the conclusion of the justices as to the limitation of the authority of the House to require the opinions of the justices ; and affirms the authority of the House, under the Constitution, to require their opinions upon said questions.

The roll being called, the resolution was adopted, by a vote of 168 yeas to 8 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Albree, John
Alden, Jared F.
Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Ayres, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barker, Thomas E.

Messrs. Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bennett, John O.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bixby, Charles C.
Bliss, George
Blodgett, Percival
Blume, Andreas

Messrs. Bond, Nelson F.

Bonney, J. Dean
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brooks, Horace S.
 Brown, Edward F.
 Burgess, John H.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carter, Charles E.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Conant, Nelson B.
 Connell, Thomas H.
 Conwell, David
 Cook, Louis A.
 Coveney, John W.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Cutler, Nahum S.
 Cutting, George W.
 Dallinger, Frank W.
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Epes
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Douglas, William S.
 Dubuque, Hugo A.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Harvey, James W.

Messrs. Haseltine, Phineas W.

Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John D.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Howland, Willard
 Hutchinson, John F.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Horace G.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McNary, William S.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mendall, Noah F.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morison, Frank
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Nolan, Joseph
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Patridge, Joseph A.

Messrs. Perry, Charles	Messrs. Sherman, Everett F.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Slocum, George W.
Pierce, John N.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Pillsbury, Omer	Smalley, Anthony
Plaisted, John W.	Snow, Thomas
Porter, Charles F.	Sohier, William D.
Potter, Lurin J.	Spring, Charles E.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Stanley, Stephen
Preble, William H.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Prevaux, John J.	Stover, Martin L.
Purrington, Ellis B.	Sullivan, Edward
Putnam, Charles C.	Swallow, George N.
Qua, Francis W.	Taft, Edgar S.
Raymond, Francis H.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Reed, George A.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Richmond, Albert E.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Rowell, William R.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Rugg, Charles P.	Wales, Abijah T.
Russell, Stillman	Wardwell, J. Otis
Sanger, Chester F.	White, William L., Jr.
Sanger, George P., Jr.	Witt, Charles T.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wood, Samuel
Shepard, Charles H.	Worth, Ira A.
Shepard, George A.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Duggan, Thomas H.	Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.	McLaughlin, Daniel
Howard, John F.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Leary, Edward J.	Sullivan, John H.

Yeas, 168 ; nays, 8.

On this question, Mr. Burke of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Keane of Holyoke.

The Bill to establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Pending amendments moved by Messrs. Lovell of Boston, Duggan of Boston, McNary of Boston, and Morison of Boston, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of

the Attorney-General for the year 1888 as relates to the taxation of the surplus funds of savings banks, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing cities and towns to take land for parade drill and target practice of the militia was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the words "Cities and towns," and inserting in place thereof the words "The city of Lynn;" also in lines 3 and 4 of the same section by striking out the words "their respective," and inserting in place thereof the word "its;" also in section 2, line 1, by striking out the words "cities and towns," and inserting in place thereof the words "city of Lynn;" also by adding at the end of line 9 of section 2 the word "said;" also by striking out in line 10 of section 2 the words "or the selectmen of the town;" also in section 3, line 1, by striking out the words "Cities and towns," and inserting in place thereof the words "The city of Lynn;" also in line 21 of the same section by striking out the words "or selectmen," so as to make the provisions of the bill apply only to the city of Lynn. After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, the title having also been amended, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, by striking out the words "cities and towns," and inserting in place thereof the words "the city of Lynn."

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 2 by striking out, in line 18, the word "full;" also in line 19 of the same section by striking out the words "as aforesaid." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to confirm the title to certain land, and the meeting-house standing thereon, in the city of Quincy, used and

occupied by the Washington Street Congregational Society, was read a third time. Mr. Merrill of Quincy moved to amend in section 1, line 8, by striking out the word "town," and inserting in place thereof the word "city." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, on motion of the same gentleman, by striking out the word "town," and inserting in place thereof the word "city."

On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, at fourteen minutes before two o'clock, adjourned (the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. Merrill of Quincy, to suspend the rule which requires the Speaker to declare a recess at quarter before one o'clock).

MONDAY, May 20, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, petition of Simon B. Tuesley that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to suspend the rule, by a vote of 44 to 14.

Simon B.
Tuesley.

By Mr. Burke of Boston, petition of Thomas Coveney and 58 others in aid of the order giving towns and cities the right to manufacture and sell illuminating gas. Placed on file.

Illuminating
gas.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill to prohibit sales of intoxicating liquor by holders of fourth and fifth class licenses on election days came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Sale of intoxicating liquors on election days.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to release of estates of curtesy or dower of minor husband or wife.

Curtsey,—
dower.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 27 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes.

Insolvency.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 22 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relative to debts due from heirs, legatees, etc., by providing for the appointment of commissioners to set off real estate.

Debts due from heirs, legatees, etc.

Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Arthur L. Huntington and others for an act of incorporation as the Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad. (Messrs. Harrington of Hull, Kennedy of Boston and Grant of Revere, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Deposits in insolvency cases.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to deposits in insolvency cases.

Accounts and settlements of executors, etc.

By Mr. Rowell of Methuen, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes, relating to the accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees.

Charles H. Nichols and others, — Elevated Railway Company.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the incorporation of an elevated railway company by Charles H. Nichols and others. (Messrs. Howe and Tucker, of the Senate, and Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham.

Mr. Kemp of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to concur in the Senate amendment to the House Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham. The motion prevailed. The question recurring on concurring in the Senate amendment, the House concurred, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Taken from the Table.

Use of electric wires for street-car propulsion.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, the Bill concerning the use of electric wires for street-car propulsion in cities of more than sixty thousand inhabitants was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Street Railways.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Hammond Reed and others, with an order, in relation to amending chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the Cary Library, so as to give the citizens of Lexington the choice of a number of trustees of said library, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of South Hadley to appropriate Bills enacted. to other public uses and to alienate certain portions of an old graveyard, and to remove human remains therefrom (which originated in the House) ;

Permitting accident insurance companies to insure, under certain conditions, the liability of employers for injuries received by persons in their employ ; and

To incorporate the New England Electric Exchange ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections was further considered. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. McCall of Winchester moved that the bill be referred to a special committee, to consist of five members on the part of the House, which motion prevailed, by a vote of 55 to 52. Subsequently the Speaker appointed as the committee Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Hayes of Lynn, Morison of Boston, McDonough of Boston and Pratt of Abington. Orders of the Day.

The Bill to establish the board of commissioners of streets in the city of Boston was further considered, the main question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Lovell of Boston, to insert in section 5, line 4, after the word "companies," the words, "except for the purposes of repairing gas pipes, and laying service pipes," was rejected. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Duggan in section 8, by striking out all after the word "its" in line 3, and inserting in place thereof the words, "acceptance by the city government of Boston," was rejected. The pending amendments

Point of order.

moved by Mr. McNary of Boston, who moved to amend in section 2, line 8, after the word "bridges," by inserting the words, "constructing and maintaining water works for the city of Boston, and furnishing water to the citizens; collecting and disposing of ashes, offal and garbage, and sweeping of crosswalks, and the cleaning of the streets; locating and setting up of electric wire poles and the stringing and regulating of such wires; the care of commons and squares;" also in line 17 of the same section, after the word "city," by inserting the words, "superintendent of streets, the superintendent of sewers, the superintendent of bridges, the superintendent of lamps, the superintendent of health, the directors of ferries, the superintendent of commons and squares, the water commissioners;" also in section 3, line 9, after the word "draws," insert the words, "constructing and maintaining water works and furnishing water, and for the cleaning of the streets, and the removal and disposal of ashes, offal and garbage, and the care of commons and squares," were considered. Mr. Morison of Boston raised the point of order that the amendments were broader in their scope than the subject matter of the order considered by the committee. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the amendments were ruled out. The pending amendment moved by Mr. McNary, to strike out in section 8, lines 6 and 7, the words, "and on said day the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston shall be abolished," was rejected, by a vote of 47 to 66.

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Morison of Boston, who moved to amend by striking out sections 5 and 6, and inserting the following words: "*Sect. 5.* No person shall hereafter occupy any portion of the public streets or places of said city without a permit therefor from said board, nor shall any person hereafter make any excavation in such streets or places, except with a permit therefor from said board, and under its supervision; and every person so excavating shall put the street or place in as good condition as before the excavation, and, in default thereof, the said board may do said work at the expense of said person;" also by striking out section 8, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Sect. 8.* This act, so far as relates to the appointment of said commissioners, shall take effect

upon its passage ; and, for all other purposes, shall take effect on the first Monday of July in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine ; and on said day the offices of the board of street commissioners, the superintendent of streets, the superintendent of sewers, the superintendent of lamps, the superintendent of health, the superintendent of bridges and the board of directors of East Boston ferries, of said city of Boston, shall be abolished ; and all ordinances of the city of Boston, and regulations of the board of aldermen of said city, inconsistent with this act, shall be annulled," were considered. Mr. McNary of Boston raised the point of order Point of order. that the amendments were broader in their scope than the subject matter of the order considered by the committee. The Speaker declared the point not well taken. The amendments were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was rejected, by a vote of 30 to 112.

The Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules was further considered. The pending motion to reconsider the adoption of the amendment previously adopted was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 75 to 37.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Pittsfield was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to change the name of the Board of Gas Commissioners was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Perkins of Cambridge moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : "*Sect. 2.* Section one of chapter four hundred and twenty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight is hereby amended by striking out after the word 'opinion,' in the sixth line, the words, 'and certify in any license granted by them,' and also after the word 'that,' in the seventh line, the words, 'in their opinion ;' " also to amend the title by adding at the end thereof the words, "and to amend section 1 of chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1888." Mr. Mellen raised the point of order Point of order. that the amendment was not germane to the bill under consideration. Pending the point of order, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to authorize towns to employ counsel at hearings before committees of the Legislature was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved to amend in line 6, by inserting after the word "petition" the words, "except a hearing upon a petition for the division of said town, or the annexation of any new territory thereto." After debate, the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 36 to 76, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 83 to 35.

The Bill to establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Health was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 21, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, a Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents. Read and referred to the committee on Printing, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Printing and
distribution of
the laws and
public docu-
ments.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Paige of Amherst, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that an insolvent debtor shall have the right to mortgage or pledge his property, or otherwise provide for the payment of a reasonable amount for such legal service as may be necessary to assist him in such proceedings.

Insolvent
debtors.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order (recommitted) relative to exempting from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, licenses of the fourth and fifth classes, under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, doing business in the city of Boston from six o'clock A.M. to six o'clock P.M. (Messrs. Cronin of Worcester, Morse of Marlborough and Snow of Marblehead, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

City of Boston,
— licenses of
fourth and fifth
classes.

A Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Wages of
fishermen, —
trustee process.

Shelburne Falls
fire district.

A petition of George D. Eldridge and others for legislation to ratify and confirm proceedings of the Shelburne Falls fire district at a meeting held April 15, 1889, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Province Laws,
publication of.

Remonstrances of A. P. Peabody and others; and the New England Historic Genealogical Society, — severally, against any interruption of the work of collecting and publishing the Province Laws, were severally placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Title insurance
companies.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill authorizing title insurance companies to examine and guarantee titles to personal property, as well as real estate, ought to pass.

Boston Public
Library.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the public library of said city ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Public records.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth, ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Decisions of
the supreme
judicial court.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Taxation and
control of for-
eign gas com-
panies.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth in like or similar manner as the insurance commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to

tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was taken from the table. Pending the question on its acceptance, it was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday morning, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Motion to Take from the Table.

Mr. Snow of Marblehead moved to take from the table the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies. After debate, the motion was lost, by a vote of 31 to 47.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Swallow moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule on the petition of Simon B. Tuesley that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. The motion prevailed. The question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Grant of Revere, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Arthur L. Huntington and others for an act of incorporation as the Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Springfield to issue additional water bonds, and to supply the town of Ludlow with water for certain purposes ;

To supply the town of Ipswich with water ; and

To incorporate The Albert Hopkins White Oaks Chapel Association, and to enable the president and trustees of Williams College to convey to the same certain property held under the will of Albert Hopkins, deceased ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 22 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relative to debts due from heirs, legatees, etc., by providing for the appointment of commissioners to set off real estate ;

On an order relative to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 27 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes ; and

On an order relative to release of estates of curtesy or dower of minor husband or wife ;

Were severally accepted.

Bills :

Relating to deposits in insolvency cases ; and

To amend sections 13 and 14 of chapter 144 of the Public Statutes, relating to the accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the American Bell Telephone Company to increase its capital stock was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend by adding at the end of line 5 the words, "shall be sold at public auction and." Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend in line 6 by striking out the word "twenty," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteen." After debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend in line 1 by inserting, after the word "flats," the words, "situated in the county of Barnstable;" also in line 12 by inserting, after the word "stream," the words, "within said county." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston was further considered, the question being on

ordering to a third reading. Mr. Atherton of Saugus moved to amend in section 2, lines 17 and 19, by striking out the word "ten" in each instance, and inserting in place thereof the word "six." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Nichols of Gloucester moved to amend in section 2, lines 19 and 20, by striking out, in each instance, the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "six." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield, was further considered. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield." After debate, the resolve was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

The Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Bicknell of Boston moved to amend, in line 3, by striking out the word "twelve" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty;" also by adding at the end of the resolve the following words: "and *provided, still further*, that no larger sum than seventy-five thousand dollars shall be expended during the year 1889." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, at seventeen minutes before one o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Qua of Lowell, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow.

Reports of
committees.

Ordered, That on and after Friday, May 24, the report of all joint committees on all matters referred to them shall be "reference to the next General Court."

Prorogation.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules report when the Legislature can be prorogued without detriment to public business, and such resolve thereon as may be necessary.

Reports of Committees.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Milton of Waltham, from the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that no person shall hold a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State unless he is a citizen and resident of the State. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Succession to
real and per-
sonal estate.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Prorogation.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Rules, on an order, a Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the resolution.

*Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.**Engrossed bills:*

Bills enacted.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Warren;

To change the corporate name of the Revere Street Railway Company;

To prohibit sales of intoxicating liquor by holders of fourth and fifth class licenses on election days;

To incorporate the Pilgrim Fathers' Hall Association; and

To amend chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled, "An Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ;"

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To change the name of the Winter Hill Universalist Parish ;

Concerning the salary of the late John C. Park ;

To incorporate the Marlborough Building Association ; and

Authorizing the cities of Boston and Cambridge to widen West Boston bridge ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for a water supply at the State camp ground at South Framingham (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, passed to be engrossed the Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the resolve, on further motion of Mr. Harris, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Authorizing title insurance companies to examine and guarantee titles to personal property as well as real estate ; and Orders of the Day.

To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the public library of said city ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the American Bell Telephone Company to increase its capital stock ;

Relating to deposits in insolvency cases ; and

Relating to the accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees (its title having

been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to change the name of the Board of Gas Commissioners was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. On the point of order raised by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, to the amendment moved by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the Speaker ruled as follows : —

Ruling of the
Speaker.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester raises the point of order that the amendment is not germane to the bill. The bill is reported by the committee on Manufactures, upon the report of the gas commissioners, which report refers to both the subject matters of the bill and the amendment proposed by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge. That the committee could have reported to the House recommendations upon both subjects is not open to doubt. The report of the commissioners asks for both subjects of legislation. The committee not only has the power to report upon both subjects, but members of the House have a right to such a report as will enable them, either through the report of the committee, by a substitute for such report or amendment thereto, to bring before the House the subject matters thus referred. Otherwise the committee would possess the power to bury by its own action, and without the power of revision by the House, the issues referred to it. This is plainly beyond the power of the committee, and dangerous to the power of the House.

It has been the practice for committees, to which are referred such reports, when reporting upon certain recommendations therein made, to present such report as a report "in part." Finally, having reported affirmatively on such matters as it desired, the committee reported "no further legislation necessary" on other recommendations, while they offered to the House, either by amendment or substitution, the privilege of coming to a direct issue on any of the subject matters referred to the committee.

In this case, however, so far as appears, the committee has reported finally on the gas commissioners' report in the bill "changing the name of the gas commissioners." Had that report been denominated a report "in part," other subjects of recommendation could be further expected ; but in its present report the committee has finally

disposed of the whole matter referred to it, and it now rests finally with the House.

The rule of the House which requires that an amendment should be germane to the subject matter is clear, and on the surface this amendment would appear to be out of order. Certainly the question of the safety of different kinds of gas has very little apparent reference to the name of the gas commissioners. On that single issue the Chair would be constrained to reject the amendment. But in point of fact the report, in its present form, practically is in the form of a bill on one subject, and upon the others referred to the committee "no further legislation necessary." On any other interpretation the committee would be confirmed as possessing the right — which this House has never tolerated — to bury, beyond the control of the House, subject matter referred to it. The only ruling on the matter directly at point was made by Mr. President Crocker in the Senate of 1883; but then the report of the committee distinctly stated that it was based upon "so much of the Governor's message as referred to" the subject, leaving the plain inference that the committee would report further on the other matters referred to it. The present report gives every evidence that it is intended as the final action of the committee on Manufactures, and that no further report, to which the legislation proposed by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge would be more clearly germane, is to be expected from the committee.

It would clearly have been better had the committee reserved these various incongruous subjects of legislation for different reports; but it is equally clear that the committee cannot, by its action, deprive the House of the right to legislate upon any and every subject contained in the recommendations of the gas commissioners.

In the interest of clear laws and proper division of legislation, the Chair is of the opinion that the House would do well to recommit the matter to the committee, with instructions to report these different subjects in different reports; but, if the House does not wish to thus delay legislation at this stage in the session, it is clear that, being debarred from offering his proposed legislation, which is certainly germane to the report referred to the committee, and on which it appears that the present bill is to be the entire result of their deliberations, Mr. Perkins of Cambridge is in order with his proposed

amendment. It is certainly germane to something, and would be clearly to this, if the committee had stated that it recommended, as appears to be the case on one part of the gas commissioners' report, a bill, and on all others "no further legislation necessary." The subject referred to the committee clearly has not disappeared. The committee has not it in hand. It must be in the control of the House. The Chair has reserved to the House the power simply to control legislation in a matter referred to a committee, either rejecting or accepting it at its own pleasure, and thus preserving the principle that by indirection this control cannot be removed from the House. It would have been better had the committee made two reports on the two different subjects; but, taking the matter as it comes to the House, the Chair decides, on the broad principle that, as this is the only way in which the House can vote on the report of the gas commissioners, it must be allowed to exercise that right, and not be deprived of it on technical grounds. The Chair therefore decides the point of order not well taken.

After debate, the amendments were rejected, by a vote of 45 to 84, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the incorporation of an elevated railway company by Charles H. Nichols and others was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Pending this question, Mr. Dewey of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was substantially the same as the Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, which had already been rejected by the present Legislature, and was therefore not properly before the House, being in violation of House Rule 48.

Point of order.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston raised a further point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the petition considered by the committee, and upon which the report of the committee was based. Pending these questions of order, on motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the bill was laid on the table.

The Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill in relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending that the bill should be amended by adding, at the end of section 1, the words, "The salaries hereby authorized shall take effect on the first day of April in the year 1889;" also by striking out section 4, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending that the bill should be amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words, "The salaries hereby authorized shall take effect on the first day of April in the year 1889;" also by striking out section 4, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize towns to employ counsel at hearings before committees of the Legislature was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend in line 3, by striking out the word "thereat," and inserting in place thereof the words "and voting thereon;" also in line 4, by striking out the words "employment of," and inserting in place thereof the words, "board of selectmen, if such board consider it expedient, to employ." After debate, the amendments were rejected. On the question on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 100 yeas to 92 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albree, John
Alden, Jared F.
Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Babbitt, Rollin H.

Messrs. Bancroft, Lewis M.
Barker, Thomas E.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Bennett, John O.
Bigelow, Alden M.

Messrs. Bond, Nelson F.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brooks, Horace S.
 Brown, Edward F.
 Carter, Charles E.
 Conwell, David
 Coveney, John W.
 Crowley, John H.
 Cutler, Nahum S.
 Cutting, George W.
 Dallinger, Frank W.
 Dame, Luther
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Edwards, John
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Foote, Charles N.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Gillespie, John F.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Harris, Robert O.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hildreth, John
 Hixon, William S.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Howard, John F.
 Howland, Willard
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Leary, Edward J.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.

Messrs. Martin, James P.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 Mellen, James H.
 Murphy, William H.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Nolan, Joseph
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Perkins, George A.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Rogers, George C.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, George A.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Smith, Henry O.
 Snow, Thomas
 Sohler, William D.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Sullivan, John H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
 Atherton, Ralph L.
 Ayres, George

Messrs. Beck, Walter P.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bliss, George

Messrs. Blodgett, Percival
 Blume, Andreas
 Bonney, J. Dean
 Bowman, Robert H.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brewster, Charles K.
 Brown, Orland J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Conant, Nelson B.
 Cook, Louis A.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Cronin, James M.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Davis, Epes
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Douglas, William S.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Eldredge, George D.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Ferry, William F.
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Henry, Robert
 Heslan, John E.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.

Messrs. Lincoln, James D.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 Mead, Albert
 Means, Robert F.
 Mendall, Noah F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morison, Frank
 Morse, I. Porter
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, William H.
 Northup, Stephen L.
 Packard, John B.
 Parks, Oren B.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perry, Charles
 Pierce, John N.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Richmond, Albert E.
 Riley, Thomas
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Slocum, George W.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Sprout, William B.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stearns, George C.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 100 ; nays, 92.

On this question, Mr. McEnaney of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Carroll of Worcester.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order (recommitted) relative to exempting from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, licenses of the fourth and fifth classes, under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, doing business in the city of Boston from six o'clock A.M. to six o'clock P.M., was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Richards of Lynn moved to amend by inserting at the end of the first resolve the words, "*provided, further,* that no part of the sum herein named shall be expended, until plans shall have been submitted to the Governor and Council, which will satisfy them that the expenditure herein authorized will not exceed the amount stated in this resolve." The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Lynn, the House, at half-past three o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 22, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, petition of H. W. Otis and others for legislation to fix the tenure of office of police officers of the town of Watertown. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Police officers of the town of Watertown.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of the town of North Brookfield for authority to supply itself and its inhabitants with pure water. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. North Brookfield water supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday afternoon, was adopted and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That, on and after Friday, May 24, the report of all joint committees, on all matters referred to them, shall be “reference to the next General Court.” Reports of joint committees.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill providing for the appointment of a State military historian came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, amended by inserting in the bill and in the title, after the word “military,” in each instance, the words, “and naval;” in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. State military historian.

The House Bill to amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to proofs of Statutes, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Proof of Statutes.

Insolvent
debtors.

The House order, that the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that an insolvent debtor shall have the right to mortgage or pledge his property, or otherwise provide for the payment of a reasonable amount for such legal service as may be necessary to assist him in such proceedings, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

District police.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order (recommitted) relative to increasing the number of the district police. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

Peremptory
challenges of
jurors.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing a greater number of peremptory challenges of jurors in civil actions.

Jurors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising and amending chapter 170 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preparation of jury lists, the qualification and exemption of jurors, the right of challenge of jurors, etc.

Proceedings be-
fore the fire
marshal of the
city of Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect witnesses who appear before the fire marshal of the city of Boston.

Liens.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George G. Childs and others for an amendment of the law relating to liens.

Fine and im-
prisonment of
intoxicated per-
sons.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent fine and imprisonment of persons found intoxicated.

Records of at-
tachments of
real estate.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph T. Pease and others for legislation relative to requiring attachments of real estate to be recorded in the registries of deeds in the several counties.

Hanson, — fish-
ing in North
River.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the fish

commission of the town of Hanson for an amendment of section 3 of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1853, relating to the taking of fish in North River.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill for the relief of sureties on bonds given to dissolve attachments in certain cases.

Sureties on bonds.

Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County ought to pass.

Daily trial list of cases in the superior court, Suffolk County.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the purchase of additional real estate by the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ought to pass.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, for a second reading.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill authorizing towns to elect cemetery commissioners ought not to pass.

Cemetery commissioners in towns.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the dissolution of attachments of property of an insolvent debtor, in case of the death of the debtor, ought not to pass.

Dissolution of attachments of property of insolvent debtors.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the giving of notices to street railway companies, in case of actions against them on account of defects in highways, ought not to pass.

Notice of actions against street railway companies.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, that the House non-concur in the Senate amendments, striking out, in lines 5, 6 and 7, the words, "to any honorably discharged soldier or sailor belonging to this Commonwealth;" also, adding at the end the following words: "to any soldier or sailor who served to the credit of this Commonwealth in the army or navy during the war of the re-

Licenses for hawkers and peddlers.

bellion, or who, being an actual resident of this Commonwealth at the time of his enlistment, served to the credit of any other state, and who has received an honorable discharge from such service, upon satisfactory evidence of the identity of such soldier or sailor."

Larceny of
poultry.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, to whom was referred the House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases, that the House should non-concur in the Senate amendment, striking out, in line 5, the words, "consists of fowl and poultry," and concur in the Senate amendment, striking out, in line 8, the words, "is less than," and inserting in place thereof the words, "does not exceed."

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Frances M.
Wilbar.

By Mr. Oakman of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Frances M. Wilbar. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Employment by
towns of coun-
sel at hearings
before Legisla-
tive committees.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to authorize towns to employ counsel at hearings before committees of the Legislature. After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors.

On motions of Mr. Means of Boston, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that no person shall hold a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State unless he is a citizen and resident of the State, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Succession to
the real and
personal estate
of deceased
persons.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, the Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday morning, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Manufacture
and sale of illu-
minating gas by
towns.

On further motions of Mr. Mellen, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday afternoon, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Taxation of
chattels.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill authorizing the incorporation of an elevated railway company by Charles H. Nichols and others was taken from the table. On the point of order raised by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, that the bill is beyond the scope of the petition considered by the committee and upon which the report of the committee is based, the Speaker declared the point well taken. On motion of Mr. McDonough, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Street Railways.

Charles H.
Nichols, — in-
corporation of
an elevated
railway com-
pany.

Point of order.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :**

Authorizing the Revere Water Company to take an additional water supply ; and

Orders of the
Day.

To authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional source of water supply ;

Were severally considered, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing title insurance companies to examine and guarantee titles to personal property, as well as real estate ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the public library of said city ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the insurance commissioner ; and

To establish the salary of the deputy insurance commissioner ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth, in like or similar manner as the insurance commissioner has now upon insurance companies, also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was further considered, and, after debate, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, by a vote of 58 to 6.

The Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court was considered, and, after debate, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton.

The Resolve providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Harris of East Bridgewater moved to amend, in line 7, by inserting after the word "building," the words, "or for erecting a new school building ;" also, to amend the title by adding at the end thereof the words, "or for the erection of a new building." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Albree of Boston, at twenty minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Mendall of Acushnet, remonstrance of the selectmen of Fairhaven against the passage of the Bill to authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock and take an additional source of water supply. Placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Grant of Revere, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Shaw of Newburyport:—

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted until Monday next to make final report on matters before the committee. Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Raynham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Taunton (reported on a petition) ; Raynham.

Authorizing cities and towns to prohibit the taking of eels and shell-fish (reported on an order) ; and Eels and shell-
fish.

To extend the time for the construction of certain bridges across navigable rivers in the town of Falmouth (being a bill introduced on leave in the House) ; Falmouth.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve in favor of Minot Amsden (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Minot Amsden.

A Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, requiring the equipment of fire departments with certain apparatus, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The House Bill in relation to returning the names of constables to clerks of courts came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Employment of
tug boats on
Sunday.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James Perkins and others for such an amendment to the Sunday law that the letting of yachts and boats shall not include the employment of tug boats except in cases of necessity. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Insolvent
debtors.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Washington
Street Metho-
dist Episcopal
Church of
Brookline.

By Mr. Brooks of Ashby, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings and title to land of the trustees of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Brookline.

Boston Electric
Elevated Rail-
way Company.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, that the Bill (recommitted) authorizing the incorporation of an elevated railroad company by Charles H. Nichols and others ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company." (Messrs. Howe and Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Shaw of Newburyport and Desmond of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House this morning adopted the following order:—

Reports of joint
committees.

Ordered, That, on and after Friday, May 24, the report of all joint committees, on all matters referred to them, shall be "reference to the next General Court."

The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to amend by striking out, in line 1, the words, "on and." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to temporary loans by cities and towns (which Bills enacted.
originated in the House) ;

To promote the safety of the public at grade crossings ;
and

To establish the salary of the secretary of the State Board
of Health ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to with-
draw :

On the petition of the fish commission of the town of Orders of the
Hanson for an amendment of section 3 of chapter 350 Day.
of the Acts of the year 1853, relating to the taking of
fish in North River ; and

On the petitions of George G. Childs and others for an
amendment of the law relating to liens ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to protect witnesses
who appear before the fire marshal of the city of Boston ;

On an order relative to revising and amending chapter
170 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preparation of
jury lists, the qualification and exemption of jurors, the
right of challenge of jurors, etc. ; and

On an order relative to allowing a greater number of
peremptory challenges of jurors in civil actions ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to
withdraw, on the petition of Joseph T. Pease and others
for legislation relative to requiring attachment of real
estate to be recorded in the registries of deeds in the
several counties, was laid on the table, on motion of
Mr. Marchant of Edgartown.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inex-
pedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to
prevent fine and imprisonment of persons found intoxi-
cated, was considered. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to
amend the report by striking out the words, " it is inex-

pedient to legislate thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted.

Bills :

To provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County ; and

For the relief of sureties on bonds given to dissolve attachments in certain cases ; and the

Resolve providing for the purchase of additional real estate by the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the giving of notices to street railway companies, in case of actions against them on account of defects in highways ;

Authorizing towns to elect cemetery commissioners ; and

Relative to the dissolution of attachments of property of an insolvent debtor, in case of the death of the debtor ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice in each case was sent to the Senate.

The Senate amendments to the House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases were considered. The House non-concurred in the amendment, striking out, in line 5, the words, "consists of fowl or poultry," and concurred in the amendment, striking out, in line 8, the words, "is less than," and inserting in place thereof the words, "does not exceed," as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House non-concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Authorizing the Revere Water Company to take an additional water supply ; and

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To authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional source of water supply ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, at ten minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 23, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday afternoon, was considered :

Committee on
Street Railways.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted until Monday next to make final report on matters before the committee.

Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend by striking out the word "Monday," and inserting in place thereof the word "Friday." The question was first put on allowing the word "Monday" to remain in the order, which was carried, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, was laid over until this afternoon, at the request of Mr. Dewey of Boston :—

Joint special
committee, —
revision and
amendment of
the laws relat-
ing to taxation.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of five members on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the laws of the State relating to taxation and the exemptions therefrom. Said committee may, for the purpose of its inquiry, visit such places as may be deemed necessary, shall have power to send for persons and papers, shall hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice, may employ such clerical assistance as it deems necessary, and shall report in print to the next General Court, not later than Feb. 1, 1890, the results of its inquiry, with its recommendation in reference thereto. Said committee shall be provided with a room at the State House, and all necessary stationery and postage, by the sergeant-at-arms. The members of said committee shall be allowed their necessary travelling expenses, and shall be paid such compensation as may be determined by the Governor and Council.

Boundary line
between Massa-
chusetta and
New Hamp-
shire.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Federal Relations, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the commissioners appointed to ascertain and establish the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and recommending its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, it was voted that the report of the commissioners, with the accompanying documents, be printed as a House document.

Report of commissioners on boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Report printed as a House document.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, all persons holding a license of the fourth and fifth classes under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and who do business only between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M. (Messrs. Cronin of Worcester, Morse of Marlborough and Snow of Marblehead, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Intoxicating liquors.

A Bill providing for the regulation and removal of posts, wires and other structures in or under public ways and places (reported on a petition and on orders), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Removal of posts, wires and other structures in or under public ways and places.

The House Bill relating to the recovery of damages for sales of intoxicating liquors to minors came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Sale of intoxicating liquors to minors.

Notice was received from the Senate, that the following House order had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to provide that no child under thirteen years of age, residing within or without the Commonwealth, shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment in this State.

Employment of children under thirteen years of age.

Equipment of
fire departments
with apparatus
for the saving of
life at fires.

Also of the rejection by the Senate of the House Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts
Reformatory, —
water supply.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the water commissioners of the town of Concord that authority be given the Governor and Council to contract with them for a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, and sent up for concurrence.

Board of ex-
aminers for
public and pri-
vate schools.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all schools, both public and private, to see that the education given in such schools comes up to the standard required by law.

Edward P.
Simpson.

By Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, from the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward P. Simpson for compensation for the loss of and injury to certain carpenters' tools at the Woman's Prison at Sherborn.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Practice of
medicine and
surgery.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order and petitions, a Bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery.

Process after
judgment.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to process after judgment in certain civil cases.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Industrial
school at the
Massachusetts
Reformatory.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, a Resolve to provide for the establishment of an industrial school at the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for other purposes.

State House.

By Mr. Littlefield of Peabody, from the committee on State House, under authority of section 13 of chapter 5 of

the Public Statutes, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Shepard of Danvers, from the committee on Printing, that the Bill (introduced on leave) concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Printing of the laws and public documents.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to prevent fine and imprisonment of persons found intoxicated. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of Mr. Hayes, laid on the table.

Imprisonment of intoxicated persons.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Marchant of Edgartown, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph T. Pease and others for legislation relative to requiring attachment of real estate to be recorded in the registries of deeds in the several counties, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Attachment of real estate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James Perkins and others for such an amendment to the Sunday law that the letting of yachts and boats shall not include the employment of tug-boats except in cases of necessity, was accepted.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a system of taxation and control of gas companies that organize outside of this Commonwealth, in like or similar manner as the Insurance Commissioner has now upon insurance companies; also to tax all syndicates for the purchase of gas companies upon the capital which such syndicates represent, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings and title to land of the trustees of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Brookline ;

For the relief of insolvent debtors ;

Authorizing cities and towns to prohibit the taking of eels and shell-fish ;

To extend the time for the construction of certain bridges across navigable rivers in the town of Falmouth ; and

To authorize the town of Raynham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Taunton ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule. The bill was further considered, on the recurring question on its engrossment, and, after debate, it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 68 to 44.

The Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company was read a second time, and considered.

Point of order.

Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Morison of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was broader than the scope of the petition referred to the committee, inasmuch as the petitioners asked permission to build a particular style of road according to a system of construction to be submitted to them to the committee ; that the bill contemplated the building of a road the style of which was to be determined by submission to the Board of Railroad Commissioners ; and that, therefore, the bill was not in order. The Chair stated that he depended entirely upon the statements of the committee on Street Railways and the documents in his possession for information on this subject. That it was for the committee on Street Railways to decide whether or not the bill was in accordance with the plans submitted, since the Chair had no knowledge of any plans

having been submitted. And inasmuch as the petition called for no special system of construction, he would rule that the bill was within the scope of the petition, and that the point of order was not well taken.

Mr. Dewey of Boston raised a further point of order Point of order. that the bill is substantially the same as a measure previously rejected by the Legislature, and is therefore in violation of House Rule No. 48. On this point of order the Speaker ruled as follows:—

The point of order that the bill violates Rule 48, in being substantially the same matter already rejected, suggests the fact that in many respects the bills are similar,—the same incorporators in some respects, the same features in many, changed so far as will comply with the new petition upon which this bill is based. Upon the simple question of similarity the Chair would find it difficult to decide, from all the circumstances involved, as well as by the intrinsic features of the bill, that it does not come under the head of substantially the same legislation.

But a deeper question underlies this question. Neither this bill nor any similar one has been rejected by the House. A similar one, it is claimed, has been rejected by the Senate. It is for that branch to settle this question. The point of the rule is to establish the fact that when the House has rejected a measure, it shall not be possible to delay its business with another presentation of the same subject matter already rejected.

But the two branches of the Legislature are bodies independent and separate in their functions. The Chair, after a study of their powers, is confirmed in the belief that no rule of the House exists which deprives this body of the right to send to the Senate, as many times as it sees fit, a measure never rejected here, but that it is within the rule and power of the Senate to refuse to consider such matter a second time, having once finally rejected it. It rests with the judgment of the House to determine how many times it will persist in that action. Neither branch is under obligation by courtesy to the other to violate its own rules, nor does it lose anything in the power to transact business in its own way through any action or lack of action on the part of the other branch. How far the continuance in presenting to the other branch legislation meeting the constant rebuff of rejection should be carried, the House must decide for itself.

The Chair therefore rules that the point of order is not well taken, on the ground that with propriety the branch which has once rejected a bill, for reasons known only to itself, shall decide whether the new measure is so akin in nature to that which it has once rejected that it is open to the same objection which rendered the first measure obnoxious.

Point of order.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston raised a further point of order that the bill is broader in its scope than the petition upon which the report of the committee is based, for the reason that the location of the road named in the bill is general, and far more extensive than the definite route designated in the petition. Pending the question of order, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, at five minutes before twelve o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from this morning, was adopted :—

Joint special committee,—
revision and
amendment of
the laws relating to taxation.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of five members on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the laws of the State relating to taxation and the exemptions therefrom. Said committee may, for the purpose of its inquiry, visit such places as may be deemed necessary; shall have power to send for persons and papers; shall hear such evidence as may be submitted, after public notice; may employ such clerical assistance as it deems necessary; and shall report in print to the next General Court, not later than Feb. 1, 1890, the results of its inquiry, with its recommendation in reference thereto. Said committee shall be provided with a room at the State House, and all necessary stationery and postage, by the sergeant-at-arms. The members of said committee shall be allowed their necessary

travelling expenses, and shall be paid such compensation as may be determined by the Governor and Council.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways make final report forthwith on all matters now pending before said committee.

Committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That House document No. 436 and House document No. 468 be reprinted as a House document.

Opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court on certain questions relating to attendance at school, and report of committee on the Judiciary thereon.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the employment of prisoners. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Means of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Employment of prisoners.

By Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, from the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the eleventh annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Eleventh annual report of the Prison Commissioners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison ;

Massachusetts State Prison.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the fourth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Massachusetts Reformatory.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Nichols of Gloucester, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to proof of statutes ;

Proof of statutes.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill in relation to returning the names of constables to clerks of courts :

Return of names of constables to clerks of courts.

Severally read and accepted, and the House concurred in the several amendments, and the bills were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Telephone rates.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating by statute the amounts to be charged by telephone companies in this State;

Telephone companies.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing cities, in granting any franchise to a telephone company within its limits, to exact gratuitous services from said companies;

Industries in prisons.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 5 of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887 as will promote the adoption of a progressive system of varied industries in our prisons;

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Titles to real estate.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill concerning recorded instruments affecting title to real estate;

State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain expenses of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title;

Habitual criminals.

By Mr. Eldredge of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill to repeal chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the punishment of habitual criminals;

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to amend an Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, ought to pass.

State House.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House ought to pass.

Salaries of the attorney-general and his assistants.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the attorney-general and of the first and second assistant attorneys-general ought to pass.

Printing and distribution of laws and public documents.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents ought to pass.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, Frances M. Wilbar. that the Resolve in favor of Frances M. Wilbar ought to pass.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the same committee, Minot Amsden. that the Senate Resolve in favor of Minot Amsden ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Bond of Fitchburg, from the committee on State Normal School at Framingham. Education, on the annual report of the State Board of Education, in part, a Resolve in favor of the State Normal School at Framingham. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Means of Boston, the report of the Intoxicating liquors. committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that no person shall hold a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State unless he is a citizen and resident of the State, was taken from the table and considered. Mr. Means of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by persons not citizens." The bill was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, the Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company was taken from the table. The Speaker ruled that the pending point of order, raised this morning by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, was not well taken, stating that it was not obligatory for the road to follow literally the route designated in the petition, provided that in general the routes coincide; since the petition, besides setting forth a proposed route, also contained the words, "with such deviation in line of route as shall be deemed expedient."

Various amendments moved by Messrs. Kittredge of Boston and Frost of Boston were rejected. Amendments moved by Messrs. Woodward of Wakefield and Gilman of Newton were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward P. Simpson for compensation for the loss of and injury to certain carpenter's tools at the Woman's Prison at Sherborn, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to process after judgment in certain civil cases ;
and

Providing for the regulation and removal of posts, wires and other structures in or under public ways and places ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County ;

For the relief of sureties on bonds given to dissolve attachments in certain cases ;

To confirm the proceedings and title to land of the trustees of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Brookline ; and

For the relief of insolvent debtors ; and the

Resolve providing for the purchase of additional real estate by the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing cities and towns to prohibit the taking of eels and shell-fish ;

To extend the time for the construction of certain bridges across navigable rivers in the town of Falmouth ;
and

To authorize the town of Raynham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Taunton ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all

schools, both public and private, to see that the education given in such schools comes up to the standard required by law, was, on motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, laid on the table, by a vote of 78 to 48.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, all persons holding a license of the fourth and fifth classes, under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and who do business only between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M., was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill relating to the recovery of damages for sales of intoxicating liquors to minors, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 73 to 62. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday morning, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Cook of Weymouth, at fourteen minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 24, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Joint committee
on the Judi-
ciary.*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be granted until Wednesday, May 29, to report on the report of the commissioners to establish the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Sent up for concurrence.

*Papers from the Senate.*Women voting
on the question
of granting
licenses for the
sale of intox-
icating liquors.

A Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town (reported on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, it was voted that debate be closed at twenty minutes before twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, the motion to refer to the next General Court was rejected, by a vote of 101 to 42. Mr. Gracey of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was referred to the next General Court, which motion was considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Taft of Gloucester. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gracey of Salem; and, the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost, by a vote of 54 yeas to 95 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Bicknell, Thomas W.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Bliss, George
Bennett, John O.	Bond, Nelson F.

Messrs. Bonney, J. Dean
 Bottum, John B.
 Brewster, Charles K.
 Brown, Edward F.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Conwell, David
 Cook, Louis A.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Davis, Epes
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John

Messrs. Howe, Herbert W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Leach, William W.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Mead, Albert
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Paige, Frank E.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Stearns, George C.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
 Albree, John
 Alden, Jared F.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Ayres, George
 Bancroft, Lewis M.
 Barker, Thomas E.
 Barnes, Franklin O.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Bigelow, Alden M.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Blume, Andreas
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Burgess, John H.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Carter, Charles E.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clemence, George L.
 Conant, Nelson B.

Messrs. Cutler, Nahum S.
 Cutting, George W.
 Dallinger, Frank W.
 Dame, Luther
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Douglas, William S.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Foote, Charles N.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gray, Robert S.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Harris, Robert O.
 Harvey, James W.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.

Messrs. Holbrook, John D.	Messrs. Reed, George A.
Holder, Langdon H.	Ripley, John B.
Holman, Frank E.	Rowell, William R.
Howes, Charles	Russell, Stillman
Johnson, Henry H.	Sanger, Chester F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Kempton, David B.	Sherman, Everett F.
Kimball, Henry A.	Slocum, George W.
Kimball, John W.	Smith, Henry O.
Lincoln, James D.	Sohier, William D.
Macfarlane, John	Spring, Charles E.
Martin, James P.	Sprout, William B.
McCooey, Thomas	Stanley, Stephen
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Stover, Martin L.
Means, Robert F.	Sullivan, Edward
Mendall, Noah F.	Sullivan, John H.
Merrill, John F.	Swallow, George N.
Newhall, Albert H.	Taft, Edgar S.
Northup, Stephen L.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Patridge, Joseph A.	Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Pierce, John N.	White, William L., Jr.
Potter, Lurin J.	Wood, Samuel
Purrington, Ellis B.	Worth, Ira A.
Putnam, Charles C.	

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 95.

On this question, Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Howland of Chelsea, Marchant of Edgartown and Brooks of Hanover, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Morison of Boston, Lally of Milford, McDonough of Fall River and Morse of Marlborough.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

A Bill to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (reported on orders), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Wash-
ington.

A petition of John C. Crosby that authority be granted the town of Washington to elect, at a special meeting, an auditor or auditors, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the joint special committee appointed under an order of the House, to investigate into the affairs of the office of Abner C. Goodell, Commissioner of Province Laws, to ascertain if there was any foundation to stories of improper treatment of the employees of said office, and also to investigate the manner in which the business of said office has been done, and expenditures made, reported that, after a careful consideration of the evidence and arguments, the stories referred to in said order and circulated in the public press and otherwise, as to improper treatment, are not true, and fully exonerating said commissioner therefrom; and asking to be excused from reporting on so much of the order as relates to an investigation of the manner in which the business of said office has been done and expenditures made. (See House No. 500.) Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gracey of Salem, and sent up for concurrence.

Commissioner
of Province
Laws.

By Mr. Bicknell of Boston, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
State Board of
Education.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders and a bill (introduced on leave in the House), a Bill relating to public schools and the attendance of children in the public schools. [Messrs. McEttrick of Boston, Davis of Somerville, Keane of Holyoke and Bond of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.] (Mr. Davis recommending the passage of a bill.)

Public schools.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize truant officers to apprehend and take to school without warrant truants discovered in the act of truancy.

Truancy.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of special officers for duty on election days in the city of Boston.

Officers for duty
on election days
in Boston.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language.

Employment of
minors.

North Brook-
field.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of North Brookfield with pure water.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Council of ad-
ministration of
the Grand Army
of the Republic.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the council of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic in the department of Massachusetts ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Bust of Samuel
Adams.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on the Library, on an order, a Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall, marked Samuel Adams.

Simon B.
Tuesley.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Simon B. Tuesley.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Disfranchise-
ment of voters
as a punishment
for crime.

On motions of Mr. Sanger of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Thursday, May 9, agreed to the article of amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Salem and Pea-
body Elevated
Railway.

On motions of Mr. Grant of Revere, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Arthur L. Huntington and others for an act of incorporation as the Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Authorizing cities and towns to contract for the disposition of garbage, refuse and offal ;

Providing for the appointment of a State military and naval historian ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 59 of the Acts of the

year 1889, entitled, "An Act to incorporate the Nantasket Methodist Episcopal Church ;"

In relation to returning the names of constables to clerks of courts ;

Authorizing title insurance companies to examine and guarantee titles to personal property, as well as real estate ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Authorizing the Revere Water Company to take an additional water supply ;

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road ;

To change the name of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;

Authorizing the city of Lynn to take land for parade, drill and target practice by the militia ;

To authorize the flowage of land for the purposes of fish culture ;

To authorize towns to employ counsel at hearings before committees of the Legislature ;

To authorize the city of Boston to take land for the uses of the public library of said city ;

To authorize the Fairhaven Water Company to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional source of water supply ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair.

The Speaker announced, that, during his absence on Monday, Mr. Milton of Waltham would occupy the chair. The chair.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate : Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to regulating by statute the amounts to be charged by telephone companies in this State ;

On an order relative to allowing cities, in granting any franchise to a telephone company within their limits, to exact gratuitous services from said companies ; and

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 5 of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887 as will promote the

adoption of a progressive system of varied industries in our prisons ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Point of order.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, all persons holding a license of the fourth and fifth classes, under chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and who do business only between the hours of six o'clock A. M. and six o'clock P. M., was considered. Mr. Morse of Marlborough moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relative to the granting of licenses in the city of Boston." Mr. Milton of Waltham raised the point of order that the bill was not in order, for the reason that the order called for general legislation, and the bill was a special one. The Speaker (Mr. Bottum of Northampton in the chair) declared the point well taken, and the bill was ruled out.

Mr. Morse then moved to substitute a " Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;" and on this question, at his request, the yeas and nays were ordered ; and, the roll being called, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 42 yeas to 109 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Barry, Richard M.	Messrs. McEnaney, Thomas O.
Berry, Francis T.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Burgess, John H.	McLaughlin, Daniel
Carroll, Peter T.	McNary, William S.
Clayton, Horace E.	Means, Robert F.
Coveney, John W.	Mellen, James H.
Eddy, Lyman R.	Moore, Michael J.
Edwards, John	Morse, I. Porter
Eldredge, George D.	Murphy, William H.
Fottler, Jacob	Northup, Stephen L.
Gillespie, John F.	O'Mealey, John W.
Harrington, Z. Taylor	O'Neil, John W.
Harvey, James W.	Pillsbury, Omer
Heslan, John E.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Howard, John F.	Riley, Thomas
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Snow, Thomas
Keliher, Thomas J.	Sohier, William D.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Stafford, John H.
Leary, Edward J.	Sullivan, Edward
McDonald, Peter J.	Sullivan, John H.
McDonough, John H.	Sullivan, Michael F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
 Albree, John
 Alden, Jared F.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Ayres, George
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Barker, Thomas E.
 Barnes, Franklin O.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Bicknell, Thomas W.
 Bigelow, Alden M.
 Bliss, George
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bond, Nelson F.
 Bonney, J. Dean
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brewster, Charles K.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, Edward F.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clemence, George L.
 Conant, Nelson B.
 Conwell, David
 Cook, Louis A.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Cutler, Nahum S.
 Dallinger, Frank W.
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Epes
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Douglas, William S.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Frost, Henry
 Giddings, Theodore
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Grant, Charles, Jr.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.

Messrs. Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Henry, Robert
 Hildreth, John
 Holbrook, John D.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kimball, Rufus
 Leach, William W.
 Lincoln, James D.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Macfarlane, John
 Martin, James P.
 Mead, Albert
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Morison, Frank
 Newhall, Albert H.
 Nichols, Edward M.
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Pierce, John N.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Prevaux, John J.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Ripley, John B.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sherman, Everett F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Smith, Henry O.
 Sprout, William B.
 Stearns, George C.

Messrs. Stimpson, Daniel P.	Messrs. Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Stover, Martin L.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Taft, Edgar S.	White, William L., Jr.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Wood, Samuel
Thompson, A. Cranston	Worth, Ira A.
Tompkins, Isaac B.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Tripp, Pelatiah R.	

Yeas, 42 ; nays, 109.

On this question, Messrs. Atwood of Boston, Monahan of Boston, Wilcox of Pittsfield, Lally of Milford, Kemp of Cambridge, McCooey of Blackstone, Cronin of Worcester and McDonough of Fall River, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Pierce of Watertown, Woodward of Wakefield, Harris of East Bridgewater, Howland of Chelsea, Davis of Somerville, Stanley of North Attleborough, Paige of Amherst and Marchant of Edgartown.

The report was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents ;

To prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by persons not citizens ;

To establish the salaries of the attorney-general and of the first and second assistant attorneys-general ; and

To amend an Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections ; and the

Resolves :

Providing for certain expenses of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

In favor of Frances M. Wilbar ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House ; and

In favor of Minot Amsden ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to repeal chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the punishment of habitual criminals, was read a second time, and considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it

was, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill concerning recorded instruments affecting title to real estate was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday.

The Bill providing for the regulation and removal of posts, wires and other structures in or under public ways and places was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 17, as follows: "*Sect. 17.* The city of Boston may, at any time during the continuance of the charter of said corporation, and after the expiration of five years from the opening of any part of said road for use, purchase of said corporation all the franchise, property, rights and furniture of said corporation, by paying them therefor such a sum as will reimburse to each person who may then be a stockholder therein the par value of his stock, together with a net profit of eight per cent. per annum from the time of the transfer of the said stock to him on the books of the corporation, deducting the dividend received by said stockholders thereon." After debate, pending the question on the amendment, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Worth of Boston, at twenty minutes before two the House adjourned (the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, to suspend the rule relating to adjournment at a quarter before one o'clock).

MONDAY, May 27, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Milton of Waltham in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Mount Vernon
Cemetery Association of West
Boylston.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of the Mount Vernon Cemetery Association of West Boylston for authority to hold additional real and personal property. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Dukes and
Nantucket,
counties of,—
house of cor-
rection.

A report of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to abolishing the jail and house of correction at Nantucket, and providing for new accommodations for prisoners of Nantucket County, either by a new jail or house of correction or by arrangement with Dukes County; ordering the erection of a new jail and house of correction in Nantucket County, and providing for a house of correction at Edgartown in Dukes County for the use of Dukes and Nantucket counties, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Suffolk Trust
and Investment
Company.

A Bill to change the name of the Suffolk Trust and Investment Company; and a

Towns of Essex
and Ipswich.

Resolve relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Eliza Murphy.

A Resolve in favor of Eliza Murphy (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills :

To permit the granting of divorces in cases of the excessive use of opium or other drugs (being a new draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill relating to further causes for divorce ") ; and

Divorces,—
opium and
drugs.

Confirming certain proceedings of the Charles Street Baptist Society, and to authorize said society to dispose of its property and dissolve the corporation ;

Charles Street
Baptist Society.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules, passed to be engrossed by the House, in concurrence, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Civil Service,—
soldiers and
sailors.

The House Bill to amend section 106 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to property of the Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, " Bill to protect the property of the Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Morison of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Humane Society
of Massachu-
setts.

The House Bill relating to the transmission of intelligence by telephone came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Transmission of
intelligence by
telephone.

The House Bill to provide for the filing of a copy of the register of foreign ships and vessels, and for the service of process on foreign corporations and persons employed as carriers of passengers, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended so that it read, " Bill to provide for filing copies of registers of foreign vessels, and for service of process on certain persons and foreign corporations," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Foreign vessels.

Washington
Street Congre-
gational Society.

The House Bill to confirm the title to certain land and the meeting-house standing thereon in the city of Quincy, used and occupied by the Washington Street Congregational Society, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the title amended by striking out the words, "land and the meeting-house standing thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words, "real estate," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Slocum of Newton, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Larceny.

The House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment at "A," striking out, in line 5, the words, "consists of fowl or poultry." On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the rule was suspended, and the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference.

Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order that the committee on Street Railways be granted till Monday next to make final report on matters before the committee.

Reports of Committees.

Treasurer and
receiver-gen-
eral.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the treasurer and receiver-general.

Aggregates of
polls, property
and taxes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc.

Auditor of
accounts.

By the same gentleman, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the report of the auditor of accounts.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Wales of Attleborough.

Second assistant
clerk of courts
for the county
of Essex.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Simon B.
Tuesley.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Simon B. Tuesley ought to pass.

By Mr. Gould of Warren, from the same committee, Bust of Samuel Adams. that the Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall, marked Samuel Adams, ought to pass, with an amendment.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the same committee, Massachusetts Reformatory. that the Resolve to provide for the establishment of an industrial school at the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for other purposes, ought to pass.

By Mr. Cannell of Everett, from the committee on Meigs Elevated Railway. Street Railways, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Bill relating to public schools and the attendance of children in the public schools was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved that the further consideration be postponed until Tuesday, June 4, which motion was lost. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Friday, May 31. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen; and, the roll being called, the motion was lost, by a vote of 95 yeas to 95 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas	Messrs. Cannell, Joseph H.
Allen, Richard B.	Carroll, Peter T.
Atherton, Horace H.	Clayton, Horace E.
Ayres, George	Coveney, John W.
Barry, Richard M.	Cronin, James M.
Beck, Walter P.	Crowell, Joshua
Bennett, Charles H.	Dallinger, Frank W.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Desmond, Jeremiah
Bliss, George	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Brady, Peter J.	Eddy, Lyman R.
Brooks, A. Olin	Edwards, John
Brooks, William H.	Farren, Thomas G.
Call, Charles A.	Ferren, Myron J.

Messrs. Garvey, Michael J.	Messrs. Moore, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.	Morse, I. Porter
Glasgow, Edward B.	Murphy, William H.
Gould, John B.	Newhall, Albert H.
Grant, Charles, Jr.	Nichols, Edward M.
Gray, Robert S.	Nolan, Joseph
Harrington, Z. Taylor	Northup, Stephen L.
Harvey, James W.	O'Mealey, John W.
Henry, Robert	O'Neil, John W.
Heslan, John E.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Hildreth, John	Pike, Baxter P.
Hixon, William S.	Pillsbury, Omer
Howard, John F.	Porter, Charles F.
Hutchinson, John F.	Prevauz, John J.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Putnam, Charles C.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Kemp, Horace G.	Richards, James H.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Richmond, Albert E.
Kimball, Rufus	Rogers, George C.
Lally, James, Jr.	Rugg, Charles P.
Leary, Edward J.	Russell, Stillman
Lincoln, James D.	Shepard, Charles H.
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Shepard, George A.
McCooley, Thomas	Snow, Thomas
McDonald, Peter J.	Stafford, John H.
McDonough, John H.	Stanley, Stephen
McDonough, John J.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Sullivan, Edward
McEttrick, Michael J.	Sullivan, John H.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Sullivan, Michael F.
McNary, William S.	Swallow, George N.
Means, Robert F.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Mellen, James H.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Mendall, Noah F.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Monahan, William H.	

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Blume, Andreas
Albree, John	Bond, Nelson F.
Alden, Jared F.	Bonney, J. Dean
Atherton, Ralph L.	Bottum, John B.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Bowman, Robert H.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Brewer, Edward W.
Barker, Thomas E.	Brooks, Horace S.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Brown, Edward F.
Bennett, John O.	Burgess, John H.
Berry, Francis T.	Carpenter, George N.
Bixby, Charles C.	Carter, Charles E.
Blodgett, Percival	Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Messrs. Conant, Nelson B.
 Conwell, David
 Cook, Louis A.
 Crane, Robert B.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Cutting, George W.
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Epes
 Dearing, T. Haven
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gardiner, Charles B.
 Gilman, Gorham D.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Abner
 Hale, William M.
 Hamilton, Henry D.
 Hanson, Charles H.
 Harris, Robert O.
 Haseltine, Phineas W.
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Howe, Herbert W.
 Howes, Charles
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lattimore, Andrew B.
 Leach, William W.
 Macfarlane, John
 Martin, James P.

Messrs. Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Morison, Frank
 Nichols, William H.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Packard, John B.
 Paige, Frank E.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Reed, George A.
 Ripley, John B.
 Rowell, William R.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Henry O.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Sprout, William B.
 Stearns, George C.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wood, Samuel
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Worth, Ira A.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 95 ; nays, 95.

On this question, Messrs. Burke of Boston and Crowley of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Frost of Boston and Sanger of Boston.

Mr. Slocum of Newton moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, which motion prevailed.

*Taken from the Table.***Provincial
Laws.**

On motions of Mr. Morison of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, March 11, ordered to a third reading the Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Ibid.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Danvers, the Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws was taken from the table. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

**Railroad cor-
porations, —
lists of un-
claimed
freights.**

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, the Bill relative to the publication, by railroad corporations and proprietors of steamboats, of lists of unclaimed effects of passengers, and unclaimed freight, was taken from the table. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court, and notice was sent to the Senate.

**Taxation of
Grand Army
associations.**

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an Act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

*Bills Enacted.***Bills enacted.**

To supply the town of Reading with water ;

To amend the charter of the Milton Water Company, and to authorize said corporation to consolidate with the Brush Hill Water Company ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to borrow money for the purpose of establishing a truant school or schools ;

Relating to the recovery of damages for sales of intoxicating liquors to minors ;

Relative to the correction of tax bills and the registration of voters ;

To amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to proof of statutes ;

Relating to composition with creditors in insolvency ;
To authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention
to take a sum of money in trust under the will of George
Smith ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To extend the time for the construction of certain
bridges across navigable rivers in the town of Falmouth ;

To authorize the town of Raynham to raise money for
the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the settlement
of Taunton ;

Authorizing cities and towns to prevent the taking of
eels and shell-fish ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To authorize truant officers to apprehend and take to
school without warrant truants discovered in the act of
truancy ; Orders of the
Day.

To amend an Act relating to the employment of minors
who cannot read and write in the English language ;

To supply the town of North Brookfield with pure
water ;

To provide for the appointment of special officers for
duty on election days in the city of Boston ; and

To establish The Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsoma-
niacs and Inebriates ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

Resolves :

Providing for certain expenses of the State Board of
Lunacy and Charity ;

In favor of Frances M. Wilbar ; and

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the
State House ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be en-
grossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the Attorney-Gen-
eral and of the first and second assistant attorneys-gen-
eral ; and the

Resolve in favor of Minot Amsden ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be
engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company was considered. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend the amendment moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, by striking out in line 3 the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "ten;" also by adding at the end the following: "This authority to take said franchise and property is granted on condition that the taking is assented to by said city by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said city present and voting thereon at an election legally called for that purpose." The amendments to the amendment were adopted, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted. The bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Arthur L. Huntington and others for an act of incorporation as the Salem and Peabody Elevated Railroad, was further considered. Mr. Grant of Revere moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill authorizing the incorporation of an electric elevated railway company by Arthur L. Huntington and others." After debate, the bill was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Thursday, May 9, agreed to the article of amendment to the Constitution, with regard to disenfranchising voters as a punishment for crime, was considered, and, after debate, was lost.

The Resolve in favor of the council of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic in the department of Massachusetts was further considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of the following amendments: In section 3, line 6, strike out the word "said," and insert in place thereof the words, "a copy of each separate portion or signature, so called, of such edition, as soon as it may be printed, to be sent to each of the following officers: the clerks of the several cities and towns, for

the use of the inhabitants thereof; the justices and clerks of the supreme judicial and superior courts; the judges and clerks of the municipal, police and district courts; the judges and registers of the probate courts; the district attorneys; the sheriffs; the trial justices; the justices of the peace designated to issue warrants and take bail; the county law libraries of the Commonwealth; he shall cause the remaining;" also in section 14, line 8, strike out the word "and" after the word "fifty;" also in section 14, line 9, after the words "sixty-four," insert the words, "and two hundred and twelve." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by persons not citizens was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Bowman of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by inserting after the word "no," the word "male." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence (its title also having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so as to read, "Bill to prohibit the granting of licenses to aliens and non-residents for the sale of intoxicating liquors").

The Bill to amend an Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to repeal chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled, 'An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections.'" After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 28, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

New York and
Boston Inland
Railroad Com-
pany.

To revive the powers and extend the time for constructing the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company (substituted for a report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw) ;

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

Authorizing the Board of Police of the city of Boston to employ legal assistance (reported on so much of the fourth annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston as relates to a public prosecutor to assist the department in the lower courts) ; and

Savings and co-
operative banks.

Relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan, and investment and trust business (reported on so much of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to the names of mortgage loan and investment companies, to the use of the word "bank" without legal authority, to the dealing in Western farm mortgages by trust companies, and to similarity in the names of trust companies ; also on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Spayed dogs.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to determine the license fee for spayed dogs, recommending that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence in the House amendment at [A] and concur in the amendment with an amendment, striking out the words, "a veterinary surgeon," and inserting in place thereof the following words, "some competent person who performed the operation," accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Slocum of Newton.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by William J. that branch of the House Resolve in favor of William J. Savage.
Savage.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Richards of Lynn, the Bill to Suffolk Trust and Investment Company was discharged from the orders of the day, change the name of the Suffolk Trust and Investment Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading; and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Providing for the burial of deceased indigent or friend- Bills enacted.
less soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war ;

To ratify certain proceedings of the town of Berkley ;

To authorize the refunding to James Donoghue of money paid by him as bondsman for Thomas F. Donoghue from the treasury of the county of Plymouth ; and

To authorize the American Bell Telephone Company to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for repairs on the Resolve passed.
boarding-house at the State Normal School at Bridgewater (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the orders relative to abolishing the jail and house of correction at Nantucket, and providing for new accommodations for prisoners of Nantucket County, either by a new jail or house of correction or by arrangement with Dukes County ; ordering the erection of a new jail and house of correction in Nantucket County, and providing for a house of correction at Edgartown in Dukes County for the use of Dukes and Nantucket counties, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the incorporation of an electric elevated railway company by Arthur L. Huntington and others ; and

Providing for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex ;

Resolves :

In favor of Simon B. Tuesley ;

To provide for the establishment of an industrial school at the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for other purposes ; and

Relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning recorded instruments affecting title to real estate was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall, marked Samuel Adams, was read a second time, and considered. The amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, adding at the end of the resolve the words, "provided such expenditure shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars," was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize truant officers to apprehend and take to school without warrant truants discovered in the act of truancy ;

To supply the town of North Brookfield with pure water ; and

To provide for the appointment of special police officers for duty on election days in the city of Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery was, pending the question on its engrossment, postponed for further consideration until this afternoon, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling cities and towns to manufacture, sell and distribute illuminating gas to their citizens, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase the plants of existing companies, was further considered. Mr. Lally of Milford moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill enabling any city or town to supply its inhabitants with gas." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Morison of Boston, to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, March 11, ordered to a third reading the Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Morison of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve in relation to the publication of the provincial laws." Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve relative to the further publication of the provincial laws and resolves." Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the resolve, the House, —

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Remonstrances Presented.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, remonstrance of Geo. H. Capen and others of Chelsea; by Mr. Brooks of Hanover, remonstrance of John W. Hatch and 100 others of Rockland; by Mr. Quinn of Boston, remonstrance of B. E. Bowditch and others of Boston; by Mr. Oakman of Boston, remonstrance of Henry N. Stone and others; and by Mr. Plaisted of Worcester, remonstrance of H. Cady and others of Worcester, — severally, against the proposed legislation to regulate the practice of medicine. Severally placed on file.

Practice of
medicine.

Reports of Committees.

Salem Marine
Society.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Marine Society at Salem to accept the trusts created by the will of Henry Barr, and to administer the same, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Brown of Salem, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Police officers
of the town of
Watertown.

By Mr. Cutler of Greenfield, from the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of H. W. Otis and others for legislation to fix the tenure of office of police officers of the town of Watertown. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ought to pass, with certain amendments.

Eliza Murphy.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Eliza Murphy ought to pass.

Fire marshal
of the city of
Boston.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Westborough
Insane Hospi-
tal.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the fourth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, in part, a Resolve providing for building a dead-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

*Views of a Minority of the Committee on Education,
ordered to be Printed.*

Attendance of
children at
school.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston submitted views of a minority of the committee on Education, on the subject of the attendance and instruction of children in the schools, which were ordered to be printed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, the Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs' system of elevated railways was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Shaw of Newburyport raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that the committee should have reported that the bill be referred to the next General Court, under the order adopted by both branches, providing that after Friday, May 24, the report of all joint committees on all matters referred to them shall be "reference to the next General Court." The Speaker ruled that the point was well taken. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Street Railways.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To provide for filing copies of registers of foreign vessels, and for service of process on certain persons and foreign corporations (which originated in the House); and

Providing for the regulation and removal of posts, wires and other structures in or under public ways and places (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill authorizing the Board of Police of the city of Boston to employ legal assistance was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex; and

Resolves:

In favor of Simon B. Tuesley;

To provide for the establishment of an industrial school at the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for other purposes; and

To authorize the appointment of a commission to in-

quire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall, marked Samuel Adams ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and the

Resolve relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the discontinuance of the publication of the provincial laws, being the unfinished business of this morning, was further considered, the question being on the engrossment of the resolve. On motion of Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin, it was voted that debate be closed at five minutes before three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend the resolve moved as a substitute by Mr. Morison of Boston, by adding at the end the following words : "*provided*, that the continuance of the publication of these laws shall be under the supervision, direction and control of the Secretary of the Commonwealth." After debate, the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 64 to 100 ; and the resolve moved as a substitute by Mr. Morison was substituted, by a vote of 111 to 49, and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. The resolve moved as a substitute by Mr. Barnes of Chelsea was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The Bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence moved to amend in line 2 of section 5, by inserting, after the word "to," the words, "any pharmacist or druggist or to ;" which amendment was rejected, by a vote of 44 to 82.

Mr. Bliss of Warren moved to add to section 5 the words, "nor to any physician or surgeon who has practiced medicine or surgery in any city or town within this Commonwealth continuously for five years prior to the passage of this Act, nor to those who nurse, attend and care for the sick." The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Miller of Needham moved to amend by the sub-

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stitution of a " Bill to prevent quacks from deceiving the people by assuming a professional title," which was rejected; and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 82 to 59, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, at ten minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 29, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Committee of Conference.*Committee of
conference, —
larceny.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Bonney of Pembroke and McDonough of Fall River as the committee of conference on the part of the House on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

*Hour of Meeting.*Adjournment
and hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, —

Voted, That the rule which requires the Speaker to declare an adjournment at quarter before one o'clock be suspended, and that, when the House adjourns, it be to meet on Friday next, at eleven o'clock A.M.

*Papers from the Senate.*Housatonic
Railroad
Company.

A report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for an act of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth, and sundry petitions in aid thereof (Mr. Stevens of the Senate, and Messrs. Raymond of Somerville, Taft of Gloucester, Wyman of Hyde Park, Allen of Woburn and Gordon of New Bedford, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Grade cross-
ings.

A Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings (substituted in the Senate for the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain lands in City of Salem.
South River, for the laying out of streets and for the
preservation of the public health in said city ; and

To enable the town of South Hadley to loan money to South Hadley
Fire District.
Fire District Number One of said town (being a new
draft of a House bill with the title, " Bill to authorize
the town of South Hadley to raise money for the purpose
of buying land and erecting an engine or hose house ") ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were
severally read and referred to the committee on the
Judiciary.

The House Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor Poor debtors.
matters came down passed to be engrossed, in concur-
rence, with certain amendments, in which the House con-
curred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr.
Qua of Lowell, and the bill was returned to the Senate
endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to provide for the building, mainte- Sewage disposal
of the Mystic
and Charles
River valleys.
nance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the
Mystic and Charles River valleys came down passed to
be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in
which the House concurred, under a suspension of the
rule, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and the bill
was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and Hawkers and
peddlers.
peddlers came down with the endorsement that the Senate
insisted on its amendments. On motion of Mr. Howland
of Chelsea, the rule was suspended, and the House in-
sisted on its non-concurrence, and asked for a committee
of conference.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cannell of Everett, from the committee on Meigs system of
elevated rail-
way.
Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on
the bill (recommitted) to permit railroad or street railway
companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways.
(See House No. 523.) Read and placed in the orders
of the day for Friday.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the special com- Use of money
in elections.
mittee to whom was referred the Bill to restrict and
regulate the use of money in elections, that the same ought
to pass, in a new draft with the same title. Read and
ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Second assistant
clerk of courts
for Essex
County.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, passed to be engrossed the Bill providing for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Wardell moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the word "superior," and inserting in place thereof the words, "supreme judicial." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To protect the property of the Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ;

Relative to recording of attachments of real estate in registries of deeds ;

To confirm the title to certain real estate in the city of Quincy, used and occupied by the Washington Street Congregational Society ;

In relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve, providing for remodelling and enlarging the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and for the erection of a new building (which originated in the House) ;

Was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of L. B. Rice and another for legislation to secure the further taxation of chattels, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Eliza Murphy was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to public schools and the attendance of children in the public schools was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Gracey of Salem moved to amend by the insertion of a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3.* Any person or persons who shall influence or attempt to influence any parent or other person having under his or her care or control any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, to take such child out of the public schools, or to hinder or prevent such child from receiving such instructions as the public schools require, by imposing any pecuniary, political, religious or ecclesiastical disability or disabilities, or any punishment whatever, shall forfeit to the use of the public schools of the city or town where such offence is committed a sum not exceeding five hundred and not less than one hundred dollars for each offence." The amendment was rejected. Mr. Davis of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend sections one and two of chapter forty-seven of the Public Statutes, relating to compulsory education," which amendment was rejected. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill concerning the attendance of children in the schools," which was adopted; and, under a suspension of House Rule 61, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, the House insisted on its amendment to the Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules, and asked for a committee of conference.

The Bill to amend chapter 433 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to amend by striking out, in section 1, lines 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, the words, "*provided*, such minor make application to said school committee, or some person duly authorized by said committee, for such a permit before the opening of the yearly session of the evening school of said city or town." After debate, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be

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engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The Bill to revive the powers and extend the time for constructing the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company, was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Lawrence, at fourteen minutes before two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 31, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That, for the remainder of this session, Rule 15 be suspended. Rule 15 suspended.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending sections 5, 6, 8 and 17 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relating to the registry and return of births and deaths, and sections 17 and 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, relating to marriage, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Registry and returns of births, deaths and marriages.

A Resolve to amend the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives (reported on an order and petitions), agreed to by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Constitutional amendment, — poll tax qualification.

A Resolve providing for the publication of the early Acts and Resolves of the General Court (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Publication of Acts and Resolves of the General Court.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House orders :

Relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of five members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the laws of the State relating to taxation and the exemptions therefrom ; and Joint special committee, — revision and amendment of the taxation laws.

Committee on
Street Rail-
ways.

Relative to the committee on Street Railways making final report forthwith on all matters now pending before said committee ; also, the

Compensation
of certain of-
ficers in Norfolk
and Plymouth
counties.

House Bill to establish the compensation of certain officers in the counties of Norfolk and Plymouth.

Reports of Committees.

Recording of
notices of mu-
nicipal liens.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the recording of notices of municipal liens, and defining lands to be affected thereby. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall.

South Hadley
fire district.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to enable the town of South Hadley to loan money to Fire District Number One of said town ought to pass. On motion of Mr. McCall, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Causes for
divorce.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to permit the granting of divorces in cases of the excessive use of opium or other drugs, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, " Bill relating to further causes for divorce." Read and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Recording of
instruments
affecting title to
real estate.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the recording of office copies of instruments affecting the title to lands lying in more than one county or registry district. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles Street
Baptist Society.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill confirming certain proceedings of the Charles Street Baptist Society, to dispose of its property and dissolve the corporation, ought to pass.

Dead-house
at the West-
borough Insane
Hospital.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for building a dead-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass.

By Mr. Norcross of Medford, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns, and counties of the Commonwealth, ought to pass.

Public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday, for a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, ought to pass, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on its engrossment.

Supervision of foreign corporations.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Attachment by trustee process of wages and lay of fishermen

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston ;

Bills enacted.

(Which originated in the House) ; and

To change the name of the Suffolk Trust and Investment Company ;

To authorize the Marine Society at Salem to accept the trust created by the will of Henry Barr, and to administer the same ;

To establish the salaries of the attorney-general and of the first and second assistant attorneys-general ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the purchase of a site for a new school building, or for the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield ;

Resolves passed.

(Which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Minot Amsden ;

(Which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the Day.**

The Bill authorizing the Board of Police of the city of Boston to employ legal assistance ; and the Resolve in favor of Eliza Murphy ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to process after judgment in certain civil cases was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend section 1, in line 5, by inserting, after the word "necessaries," the words, "exceeding the sum of twenty dollars." Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved to amend, in line 51 of the same section, by adding at the end thereof the words, "The adoption of the remedy herein provided by either party shall exclude any other proceedings provided by this chapter." After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected, by a vote of 52 to 76.

The Bill relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan, and investment and trust business, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Pratt of Abington moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting, after the word "name," the words, "or in the manner ;" also, in line 7 of the same section, by inserting, after the word "name," the words, "or in the manner." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning recorded instruments affecting title to real estate was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Smith of Leicester moved to amend in line 4, by adding, after the word "shall," the words, "after six months from the record thereof." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 46 to 32. Mr. Wyman raised the point of order that a quorum was not present. A count showed that 108 members were present, and the point was declared not well taken.

The Bill authorizing the incorporation of an electric elevated railway company by Arthur L. Huntington and others was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Brown of Salem moved to amend in section 2, line 9, by striking

out the word "street," and inserting in place thereof the word "elevated;" also, in section 5, line 18, by striking out the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may;" also, in section 6, line 2, by striking out the word "street," and inserting in place thereof the word "elevated." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of H. W. Otis and others for legislation to fix the tenure of office of police officers of the town of Watertown, was considered. Mr. Pierce of Watertown moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the town of Watertown." The bill was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association was read a second time, and considered. After debate, the amendments recommended by the committee on Finance, striking out, in the tenth line of section 2, the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "three;" also, in line 13 of section 2, striking out the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "four," were adopted. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved to amend in section 2, line 4, by inserting, after the word "firemen," the words, "whether members of such association or not, who shall be;" also, in line 7 of the same section, by inserting, between the words, "of firemen," the word "such;" also, in section 4, line 3, by inserting after the word "departments," the words, "also any person doing fire duty at the request or upon the order of the authorities of any town having no organized fire department." Mr. Crowell of Dennis moved to amend by adding, at the end of the last amendment moved by Mr. Taft, the words, "and any person performing the duties of a fireman in a town having no organized fire department." Mr. Cheney of Worcester moved to amend by adding, at the end of section 2, the words, "the appointees of the Governor not to be members of said association." The amendments were adopted. On the question of ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hutchinson of Lex-

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ington; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 63 yeas to 48 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.

Alden, Jared F.
Alden, Thomas
Barry, Richard M.
Bigelow, Alden M.
Bond, Nelson F.
Brooks, William H.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carpenter, George N.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fottler, Jacob
Gillespie, John F.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Heslan, John E.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Hutchinson, John F.
Johnson, Henry H.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kempton, David B.
Kimball, Rufus

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.

Leary, Edward J.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Macfarlane, John
McCall, Samuel W.
McDonald, Peter J.
McDonough, John H.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McLaughlin, Daniel
Means, Robert F.
Miller, Albert E.
Monahan, William H.
Murphy, William H.
Nichols, Edward M.
O'Mealey, John W.
O'Neil, John W.
Parks, Oren B.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Rugg, Charles P.
Russell, Stillman
Sanger, Chester F.
Slocum, Winfield S.
Sohier, William D.
Sullivan, John H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Taft, Edgar S.
Thompson, A. Cranston
Wales, Abijah T.
Wardwell, J. Otis
White, William L., Jr.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albrece, John

Ayres, George
Bancroft, Lewis M.
Bliss, George
Blodgett, Percival
Blume, Andreas
Bonney, J. Dean
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, Edward F.
Carroll, Peter T.

Messrs. Conant, Nelson B.

Crowell, Joshua
Cutting, George W.
Dearing, T. Haven
Dewey, Henry S.
Douglas, William S.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Frost, Henry
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.

Messrs. Glasgow, Edward B.	Messrs. Merrill, John F.
Gould, John B.	Oakman, Henry P.
Gray, Robert S.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Greenwood, Abner	Purrington, Ellis B.
Haskell, Forbes P.	Putnam, Charles C.
Henry, Robert	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Holman, Frank E.	Spring, Charles E.
Kimball, John W.	Sprout, William B.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Stearns, George C.
Lincoln, James D.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Martin, James P.	Wood, Samuel
Mellen, James H.	Worth, Ira A.
Mendall, Noah F.	Wyckoff, William A.

Yeas, 63 ; nays, 48.

On this question, Messrs. Moore of Boston, McNary of Boston, McCooey of Blackstone and Cronin of Worcester, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were respectively paired with Messrs. Smith of Leicester, Morison of Boston, Stanley of North Attleborough and Shepard of Sandisfield.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, at twenty minutes after two o'clock, adjourned (the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, to suspend the rule relating to adjournment at a quarter before one o'clock).

MONDAY, June 3, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock.

The clerk announced that the Speaker was absent, and that he had designated Mr. McCall of Winchester to preside during his absence.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petition Presented.

Foxborough
Water Supply
District.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of the Foxborough Water Supply District for legislation extending the time for the organization of said district. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Relief of suffer-
ers from the
disaster at
Johnstown, Pa.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, a Resolve for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Water Works
Security
Company.

To incorporate the Water Works Security Company of Massachusetts ; and

Stockbridge
Water Com-
pany.

To authorize the Stockbridge Water Company to furnish additional water supply ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Technical
instruction in
schools.

A Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Education into the subject of technical instruction in schools (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and Messrs. Sprague, Parker and Kingsley were appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

Larceny.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill in relation to conveyance of property by married women, deserted by or living apart from their husbands.

Conveyances of property by married women.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, rejected the Bill relative to process after judgment in certain civil cases. After debate, the motion was lost.

Process after judgment in civil cases.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the building, maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for the Mystic and Charles River valleys ;

Bills enacted.

To provide for the licensing of persons maintaining boarding-houses for infants under five years of age ;

For the relief of insolvent debtors ;

Relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters ;

Relating to deposits in insolvency cases ;

In relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ;

To incorporate the city of Pittsfield ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates ;

To amend an Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections ;

Authorizing the Board of Police of the city of Boston to employ legal assistance ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the purchase of a site for a new school

Resolves passed.

building, or for the enlargement of the present site, and for the erection of a new school building for the State Normal School at Westfield;

In favor of Florence W. Adams;

Providing for the purchase of additional real estate by the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

In favor of Eliza Murphy (which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending sections 5, 6, 8 and 17 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relating to the registry and return of births and deaths, and sections 17 and 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, relating to marriage, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the recording of office copies of instruments affecting the title to lands lying in more than one county or registry district; and

Confirming certain proceedings of the Charles Street Baptist Society to dispose of its property and dissolve the corporation; and

Resolves:

Providing for building a dead-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital; and

Providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston was read a second time, and was refused a third reading, by a vote of 24 to 78, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an Act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations, was, on motion of Mr. Gilman

of Newton, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, by a vote of 82 to 18, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (recommitted) to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways, was considered. Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words, "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and inserting in place thereof the words, "bill ought to pass." The amendment was adopted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend in section 3, line 4, by inserting, after the word "office," the words, "or any office within the Commonwealth;" also, in line 10 of the same section, by inserting, after the word "one," the words, "also any promise to appoint to any office or committee made by himself or agent;" also, by inserting at the end of the first paragraph, in the "Schedule for Candidates," the words, "also all promises of appointments to office or upon any committee;" also, to insert a new clause in the "Schedule for Candidates," to be numbered clause 5, as follows: "(5) I have also made the following promises of appointment." On the question of the adoption of the amendments, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park; and, the roll being called, the amendments were rejected, by a vote of 54 yeas to 122 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas

Bancroft, Lewis M.

Bennett, John O.

Bonney, J. Dean

Bowman, Robert H.

Brooks, A. Olin

Brown, Orland J.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carpenter, George N.

Carter, Charles E.

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.

Conwell, David

Cook, Louis A.

Cronin, James M.

Dubuque, Hugo A.

Eddy, Lyman R.

Gilman, Thomas K.

Grant, Charles, Jr.

Harris, Robert O.

Hayes, Elihu B.

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Messrs. Holman, Frank E.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kemp, Horace G.
Kempton, David B.
Kimball, Rufus
Leary, Edward J.
Littlefield, Stephen S.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Macfarlane, John
Martin, James P.
McCooley, Thomas
McDonough, John J.
Miller, Albert E.
Monahan, William H.
Northup, Stephen L.

Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.
Pike, Baxter P.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Porter, Charles F.
Richards, James H.
Richmond, Albert E.
Rowell, William R.
Russell, Irving L.
Sanger, Chester F.
Shepard, George A.
Sohier, William D.
Sprout, William B.
Stover, Martin L.
Taft, Edgar S.
Wardwell, J. Otis
Woodward, Charles F.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Alden, Jared F.
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Ayres, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bicknell, Thomas W.
Bigelow, Alden M.
Bliss, George
Blodgett, Percival
Blume, Andreas
Bond, Nelson F.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brooks, William H.
Brown, Edward F.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clemence, George L.
Conant, Nelson B.
Connell, Thomas H.
Crowell, Joshua
Curtis, Francis C.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven

Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Douglas, William S.
Duggan, Thomas H.
Edwards, John
Farren, Thomas G.
Ferren, Myron J.
Ferry, William F.
Foote, Charles N.
Frost, Henry
Garvey, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Greenwood, Abner
Hamilton, Henry D.
Hanson, Charles H.
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harvey, James W.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Haskell, Forbes P.
Henry, Robert
Heslan, John E.
Holbrook, John D.
Holder, Langdon H.
Howe, Herbert W.
Howes, Charles
Johnson, Henry H.
Keliher, Thomas J.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.	Messrs. Pillsbury, Omer
Kimball, John W.	Plaisted, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Potter, Lurin J.
Lally, James, Jr.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Lane, Hiram B.	Preble, William H.
Lattimore, Andrew B.	Prevoux, John J.
Leach, William W.	Putnam, Charles C.
Lincoln, James D.	Qua, Francis W.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Quinn, Dennis J.
McCall, Samuel W.	Raymond, Francis H.
McDonald, Peter J.	Reed, George A.
McDonough, John H.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Shepard, Charles H.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Slocum, George W.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Slocum, Winfield S.
Mead, Albert	Smith, Henry O.
Means, Robert F.	Snow, Thomas
Mellen, James H.	Spring, Charles E.
Mendall, Noah F.	Stafford, John H.
Milton, Henry S.	Stanley, Stephen
Moore, Michael J.	Stearns, George C.
Morison, Frank	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Morse, I. Porter	Sullivan, John H.
Murphy, William H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Nichols, Edward M.	Swallow, George N.
Norcross, J. Henry	Thompson, A. Cranston
O'Mealey, John W.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
O'Neil, John W.	Wales, Abijah T.
Packard, John B.	Wood, Samuel
Paige, Frank E.	Worth, Ira A.
Patridge, Joseph A.	Wyckoff, William A.

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 122.

On this question, Mr. Albree of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. McNary of Boston.

After debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 83 to 45.

The Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was refused a third reading, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill concerning the attendance of children in the schools was read a third time, and considered. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham and Brewer of Boston, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of

Worcester, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The Bill to revive the powers and extend the time for constructing the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the town of Watertown was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, striking out, in section 6, line 2, the words, "twenty-five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words, "three thousand," was adopted; and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Resolve to amend the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives, was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. McNary of Boston, at fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 4, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The text and comparative tables of Part II. of the thirty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life and casualty insurance, was received and was referred to the committee on Insurance.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, — life and casualty insurance.

A communication was received from the State Board of Health, relating to the pollution of ponds, lakes, streams or other bodies of water in this State used as ice supplies and liable to pollution, and requesting that said board may be allowed to defer until next year the report called for by chapter 84 of the Resolves of 1888.

State Board of Health, — pollution of streams from which ice is cut.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

To enable the town of Washington to elect an auditor or auditors at a special meeting; and

Town of Washington.

To provide for determining the validity, nature or extent of certain encumbrances upon titles to real estate;

Titles to real estate.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to provide for making the probate of a will or a determination of intestacy conclusive in certain cases, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Probate of wills.

The House Bill to provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Fottler of Boston, the rule was suspended and the amendments were considered. Mr. Brooks of Springfield moved to amend the amendment at "B" by inserting at the end thereof the words, "but

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shall not exceed \$75,000." After debate, the amendment to the amendment was rejected, and the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Mount Vernon
Cemetery Association of
West Boylston.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the Mount Vernon Cemetery Association of West Boylston for authority to hold additional real and personal property had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Information of
real estate
purchasers of
claims.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing means whereby purchasers of real estate may be informed of claims arising from marital relations affecting title to real estate.

Protecting
purchasers of
real estate
against deeds
under fictitious
names.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting purchasers of real estate against deeds under fictitious names.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester.

Record of
assignments in
insolvency.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the record of assignments in insolvency in every county or registry district where any land of the insolvent lies, and as to the protection of purchasers of such lands against assignments not so recorded.

Protection of
purchasers of
real estate
against claims.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting purchasers of real estate against claims arising out of proceedings at law or in equity, and judgments and decrees hereafter rendered, unless notice of the same shall have been filed for record in the registry of deeds for the county or district where the land lies, and in relation to the recording of such notice.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Pratt.

Nantucket.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the title to certain lands on the island of Nantucket. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, requiring the equipment of fire departments with certain apparatus, ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Equipment of
fire depart-
ments.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to establish the salary of the fire marshal of the city of Boston. After debate, the motion was lost, by a vote of 29 to 85.

Salary of the
fire marshal of
Boston.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, the Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommit-
ted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the appointment of special police officers for duty on election days in the city of Boston ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize truant officers to apprehend and take to school without warrant truants discovered in the act of truancy ;

To confirm the proceedings and title to land of the trustees of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Brookline ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To revive the powers and extend the time for constructing the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company ;

(Which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve, relative to examining and defining the boundary line on tide-water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

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The Bill to authorize the Stockbridge Water Company to furnish additional water supply was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the recording of office copies of instruments affecting the title to lands lying in more than one county or registry district; and the

Resolve providing for building a dead-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill confirming certain proceedings of the Charles Street Baptist Society, and to authorize said society to dispose of its property and dissolve the corporation, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve to amend the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, on this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston; and, the roll being called, the House refused to order the resolve to a third reading, by a vote of 77 yeas to 91 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Allen, Richard B.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atherton, Ralph L.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, William H.
Burgess, John H.

Messrs. Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Peter T.
Clayton, Horace E.
Cook, Louis A.
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Curtis, Francis C.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Duggan, Thomas H.
Farren, Thomas G.
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Gordon, William, Jr.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Gould, John B.	Merrill, John F.
Harrington, Z. Taylor	Monahan, William H.
Harvey, James W.	Moore, Michael J.
Haseltine, Phineas W.	Murphy, William H.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Northup, Stephen L.
Holder, Langdon H.	O'Mealey, John W.
Howard, John F.	O'Neil, John W.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Parks, Oren B.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Perkins, George A.
Kemp, Horace G.	Prevaux, John J.
Kempton, David B.	Qua, Francis W.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Riley, Thomas
Kimball, Rufus	Rowell, William R.
Littlefield, Stephen S.	Rugg, Charles P.
Macfarlane, John	Shepard, George A.
Marchant, Cornelius B.	Snow, Thomas
McCall, Samuel W.	Stafford, John H.
McCooley, Thomas	Sullivan, John H.
McDonald, Peter J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McDonough, John H.	Taft, Edgar S.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
McLaughlin, Daniel	Wardwell, J. Otis
McNary, William S.	Wilcox, Charles M.
Mead, Albert	Woodward, Charles F.
Means, Robert F.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John	Messrs. Conant, Nelson B.
Alden, Jared F.	Conwell, David
Ayres, George	Crowell, Joshua
Barker, Thomas E.	Cutler, Nahum S.
Bennett, John O.	Dallinger, Frank W.
Berry, Francis T.	Dame, Luther
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Davis, Epes
Bigelow, Alden M.	Davis, Joshua H.
Bixby, Charles C.	Dearing, T. Haven
Bliss, George	Dewey, Henry S.
Blodgett, Percival	Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Bonney, J. Dean	Douglas, William S.
Brewster, Charles K.	Eddy, Lyman R.
Brooks, A. Olin	Ferren, Myron J.
Brooks, Horace S.	Ferry, William F.
Brown, Edward F.	Foote, Charles N.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Fottler, Jacob
Carter, Charles E.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Glasgow, Edward B.
Clemence, George L.	Gracey, Samuel L.

Messrs. Grant, Charles, Jr.	Messrs. Oakman, Henry P.
Gray, Robert S.	Packard, John B.
Greenwood, Abner	Paige, Frank E.
Hamilton, Henry D.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Hanson, Charles H.	Pierce, John N.
Henry, Robert	Plaisted, John W.
Hildreth, John	Porter, Charles F.
Holbrook, John D.	Potter, Lurin J.
Holman, Frank E.	Purrington, Ellis B.
Howe, Herbert W.	Putnam, Charles C.
Howes, Charles	Reed, George A.
Howland, Willard	Ripley, John B.
Hutchinson, John F.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Johnson, Henry H.	Slocum, George W.
Kimball, John W.	Smalley, Anthony
Kittredge, Francis W.	Spring, Charles E.
Lane, Hiram B.	Stanley, Stephen
Lincoln, James D.	Stearns, George C.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Martin, James P.	Stover, Martin L.
Mendall, Noah F.	Sullivan, Edward
Miller, Albert E.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Milton, Henry S.	Wales, Abijah T.
Morison, Frank	Wyckoff, William A.
Nichols, Edward M.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Nichols, William H.	

Yeas, 77; nays, 91.

On this question, Messrs. Haskell of Gloucester, Garvey of Lowell, Sprout of Worcester, Heslan of Boston, Shepard of Danvers, Leary of Boston, McDonough of Fall River, Pratt of Abington, Lally of Milford and Sohler of Beverly, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Brown of North Adams, Connell of Dracut, Pinkerton of Worcester, Sanger of Cambridge, Bond of Fitchburg, Brewer of Boston, Pike of Topsfield, Thompson of Brockton, Richards of Lynn and Harris of East Bridgewater.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph W. Thayer and others for an Act to exempt from taxation property of Grand Army associations, was further considered. Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation." Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute, in section 1, line 28, by inserting, after the

word "the," the words, "sole and exclusive;" also, in line 29 of the same section, by striking out the words, "in whole or in part." After debate, the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 69 to 62; and the bill, as amended, was substituted, by a vote of 71 to 63, and was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Orders of the Day Tabled.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Orders of the Day tabled.

Papers from the Senate.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) for the relief of sufferers from the disaster at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was read a second time. Mr. Wyckoff of Franklin moved to amend in line 3 by striking out the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty," which was adopted. Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend in line 3 by inserting after the word "dollars" the words, "and the same is hereby appropriated;" also, in line 5, by inserting after the word "Governor" the words, "and Council;" also, in line 7, by inserting after the word "in" the words, "the vicinity of;" also, in line 8, by striking out the word "Commonwealth," and inserting in place thereof the word "State." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. On further motion of Mr. McCall, the rules were further suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, on further motion of Mr. McCall, so that it read, "Resolve for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown and vicinity in the State of Pennsylvania."

Relief of sufferers at Johnstown, Pa.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston,—

Voted, That when the House adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

Hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at eight minutes past one o'clock the House adjourned, the rule which requires the Speaker to declare an adjournment at quarter before one o'clock having been previously suspended, on motion of Mr. McNary of Boston.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Committees of Conference Appointed.

Hawkers and
peddlers.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Dewey of Boston and Perkins of Cambridge as the committee of conference on the part of the House on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Soldiers and
sailors.

The Speaker also appointed Messrs. Barnes of Chelsea, Morison of Boston and Atherton of Gill as the committee of conference on the part of the House on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Introduced on Leave.

Marine Park
of Boston.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, a Bill to further enlarge the area for the proposed marine park of the city of Boston, between South Boston and Castle Island. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Sanger, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Conditions,
restrictions or
stipulations
imposed in
future convey-
ances of real
estate.

Claims against
the Common-
wealth by the
Dudley tribe of
Indians.

To provide for defining lands or persons to be benefited by conditions, restrictions or stipulations imposed in future conveyances of real estate ; and

To enable the commissioners for the Dudley tribe of Indians to prosecute, in the superior court, certain claims against the Commonwealth ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The House Bill concerning the Onset Street Railway Company came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Means of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Onset Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, refused to order to a third reading the Resolve to amend the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives. After debate, the motion was lost, by a vote of 76 to 98.

Constitutional
amendment,—
poll tax qualifi-
cation.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to prevent fine and imprisonment of persons found intoxicated, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Drunkenness.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the enlargement of the State House in the city of Boston ;

Bills enacted.

To supply the town of North Brookfield with pure water ; and

To enable the town of South Hadley to loan money to Fire District Number One of said town ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the title to certain lands on the island of Nantucket, was accepted.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to incorporate the Water Works Security Company of Massachusetts was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways was read a

third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to restrict and regulate the use of money in elections was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 86 to 37.

The Bill to authorize the Stockbridge Water Company to furnish additional water supply was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the attendance of children in the schools was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. On motion of Mr. Stover of Haverhill, it was voted to take up the amendments in the order as printed in the calendar, and that debate on each amendment be limited to thirty minutes. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, it was voted that speeches be limited to three minutes each. Mr. Taft of Gloucester moved the previous question, which was carried. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Milton of Waltham, in line 23, to insert after the word "dollars" the words, "and such child shall be deemed an habitual truant," was rejected. An amendment moved by Mr. Merrill of Quincy was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Brewer, to strike out in lines 26, 27 and 28 the words, "been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning taught in the public schools," and inserting in place thereof the words, "otherwise received instruction for a like period of time in the branches of learning required to be taught in the public schools, and equal in thoroughness and efficiency with the instruction given in the public schools in the same locality," was rejected.

Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend by the insertion of two new sections, to be numbered sections two and three, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* The school committees of the several towns shall, during the month of May of each year, ascertain the names, ages, residences, number of weeks' attendance at school for the previous year, and the studies pursued in the English branches of learning, of all persons between the ages of eight and fourteen years, not in attendance on the public schools, in accordance with

blanks provided by the state board of education; and shall make an annual report thereon to the state board of education." "*Sect. 3.* Any parent or guardian of a child who refuses to give the information called for in section two, shall for each offence forfeit not less than five or more than ten dollars, for the use of the public schools in the town in which said parent or guardian resides."

Mr. McEttrick of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was not properly before the House, for the reason that there was no subject of legislation considered by the committee to which the amendment was germane. Point of order.

The Speaker ruled that the point of order was not well taken, for the reason that among the papers referred to the committee was a bill, introduced on leave, by Mr. Gracey of Salem, contemplating general legislation on the subject of the attendance of children in schools, and that the amendment moved by Mr. Holman proposed legislation incidental to the general subject.

Mr. Dubuque of Fall River moved to amend in line 28 by inserting after the word "learning" the words, "required by law to be;" also in line 29 by inserting after the word "learning" the words, "required by law to be." The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Davis of Somerville moved to amend by the insertion of a new section, to be numbered section two, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* Section two of chapter forty-seven of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'school,' in the second line, the following: 'and all private instruction only when the teaching, in all the studies required by law, is in the English language.' The section, as amended, will read as follows: '*Sect. 2.* For the purposes of the preceding section, school committees shall approve a private school and all private instruction only when the teaching, in all the studies required by law, is in the English language, and when they are satisfied that such teaching equals in thoroughness and efficiency the teaching in the public schools in the same locality, and that equal progress is made by the pupils therein, in the studies required by law, with that made during the same time in the public schools; but they shall not refuse to approve a private school on account of the religious teaching therein.'"

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the

request of Mr. McEttrick of Boston; and, the roll being called, the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 143 yeas to 41 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Ferren, Myron J.
Albree, John	Ferry, William F.
Alden, Jared F.	Fottler, Jacob
Alden, Thomas	Frost, Henry
Atherton, Horace H.	Giddings, Theodore
Atherton, Ralph L.	Gilman, Gorham D.
Ayres, George	Gilman, Thomas K.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Gould, John B.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Gracey, Samuel L.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Grant, Charles, Jr.
Beck, Walter P.	Gray, Robert S.
Bennett, John O.	Greenwood, Abner
Berry, Francis T.	Hamilton, Henry D.
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Hanson, Charles H.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Harrington, Z. Taylor
Bliss, George	Harris, Robert O.
Blodgett, Percival	Harvey, James W.
Blume, Andreas	Haseltine, Phineas W.
Bond, Nelson F.	Haskell, Forbes P.
Bonney, J. Dean	Hayes, Elihu B.
Bottum, John B.	Hildreth, John
Brewer, Edward W.	Holder, Langdon H.
Brooks, A. Olin	Holman, Frank E.
Brooks, Horace S.	Howe, Herbert W.
Brooks, William H.	Howes, Charles
Brown, Edward F.	Howland, Willard
Call, Charles A.	Hutchinson, John F.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Johnson, Henry H.
Carpenter, George N.	Kempton, David B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Kimball, John W.
Clemence, George L.	Kimball, Rufus
Conant, Nelson B.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Conwell, David	Lane, Hiram B.
Cook, Louis A.	Lattimore, Andrew B.
Crowell, Joshua	Lincoln, James D.
Curtis, Francis C.	Littlefield, Stephen S.
Dallinger, Frank W.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Dame, Luther	Macfarlane, John
Davis, Epes	Marchant, Cornelius B.
Davis, Joshua H.	Martin, James P.
Dearing, T. Haven	McCall, Samuel W.
Dewey, Henry S.	Mead, Albert
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.	Means, Robert F.
Douglas, William S.	Mendall, Noah F.
Eddy, Lyman R.	Merrill, John F.

Messrs. Miller, Albert E.
 Milton, Henry S.
 Morison, Frank
 Nichols, William H.
 Norcross, J. Henry
 Oakman, Henry P.
 Packard, John B.
 Paige, Frank E.
 Patridge, Joseph A.
 Perkins, George A.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pierce, John N.
 Pike, Baxter P.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Porter, Charles F.
 Potter, Lurin J.
 Preble, William H.
 Prevoux, John J.
 Purrington, Ellis B.
 Putnam, Charles C.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Reed, George A.
 Richards, James H.
 Riley, Thomas
 Ripley, John B.
 Rogers, George C.

Messrs. Rowell, William R.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Stillman
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Sanger, George P., Jr.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smalley, Anthony
 Sprout, William B.
 Stafford, John H.
 Stanley, Stephen
 Stearns, George C.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stover, Martin L.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Taft, Edgar S.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyckoff, William A.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, Richard B.
 Barry, Richard M.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brewster, Charles K.
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Crowley, John H.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Edwards, John
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Gillespie, John F.
 Henry, Robert
 Heslan, John E.
 Howard, John F.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Lally, James, Jr.

Messrs. Leary, Edward J.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John H.
 McDonough, John J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLaughlin, Daniel
 McNary, William S.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Snow, Thomas
 Sullivan, John H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.

Yeas, 148 ; nays, 41.

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On this question, Messrs. White of Taunton and Foote of Lee, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were respectively paired with Messrs. Kennedy of Boston and Moore of Boston.

The bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Blodgett of Templeton moved to amend in section 4, lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words, "having no organized fire department," and inserting in place thereof the words, "or city." After debate, the amendment was adopted. On the question on the engrossment of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hutchinson of Lexington; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, the title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, so that it read, "Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts firemen." The vote was 81 yeas to 52 nays, as follows:—

	YEAS.
Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Fottler, Jacob
Albree, John	Garvey, Michael J.
Alden, Thomas	Gillespie, John F.
Allen, Richard B.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Atherton, Ralph L.	Grant, Charles, Jr.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Gray, Robert S.
Barry, Richard M.	Harvey, James W.
Bicknell, Thomas W.	Haseltine, Phineas W.
Bond, Nelson F.	Hayes, Elihu B.
Brady, Peter J.	Hildreth, John
Brooks, William H.	Holder, Langdon H.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Howard, John F.
Carroll, Peter T.	Howland, Willard
Cook, Louis A.	Hutchinson, John F.
Dallinger, Frank W.	Johnson, Henry H.
Davis, Epes	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Davis, Joshua H.	Kempton, David B.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Dubuque, Hugo A.	Kimball, Rufus
Edwards, John	Lattimore, Andrew B.
Eldredge, George D.	Littlefield, Stephen S.
Farren, Thomas G.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Ferren, Myron J.	Macfarlane, John

Messrs. Marchant, Cornelius B.	Messrs. Richards, James H.
McDonald, Peter J.	Rowell, William R.
McDonough, John H.	Russell, Stillman
McDonough, John J.	Sanger, Chester F.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Slocum, George W.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Snow, Thomas
Mead, Albert	Stafford, John H.
Milton, Henry S.	Sullivan, Edward
Monahan, William H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Morse, I. Porter	Taft, Edgar S.
Murphy, William H.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Norcross, J. Henry	Tompkins, Isaac B.
O'Mealey, John W.	Wales, Abijah T.
O'Neil, John W.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Perkins, George A.	Witt, Charles T.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Woodward, Charles F.
Quinn, Dennis J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Raymond, Francis H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ayres, George	Messrs. Kimball, John W.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Beck, Walter P.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bennett, Charles H.	Lincoln, James D.
Bliss, George	Martin, James P.
Blodgett, Percival	McCall, Samuel W.
Blume, Andreas	Mendall, Noah F.
Bonney, J. Dean	Merrill, John F.
Bottum, John B.	Morison, Frank
Brewer, Edward W.	Packard, John B.
Brooks, A. Olin	Patridge, Joseph A.
Brooks, Horace S.	Pierce, John N.
Brown, Edward F.	Potter, Lurin J.
Call, Charles A.	Preble, William H.
Dearing, T. Haven	Putnam, Charles C.
Ferry, William F.	Qua, Francis W.
Frost, Henry	Riley, Thomas
Gardiner, Charles B.	Ripley, John B.
Giddings, Theodore	Shepard, George A.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Smalley, Anthony
Gilman, Thomas K.	Smith, Henry O.
Gould, John B.	Stanley, Stephen
Greenwood, Abner	Stearns, George C.
Henry, Robert	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Holman, Frank E.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Howes, Charles	Wyckoff, William A.

Yeas, 81 ; nays, 52.

On this question, Messrs. Lally of Milford, Nichols of Gloucester, Cronin of Worcester, Rugg of New Bedford, Keliher of Boston, Oakman of Boston, Leary of Boston, Coveney of Cambridge, Pillsbury of Boston and Conwell of Provincetown, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were respectively paired with Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Dewey of Boston, Sprout of Worcester, Crowell of Dennis, Paige of Amherst, Howe of Hubbardston, Sanger of Boston, Gracy of Salem, Pratt of Abington and Bennett of Pepperell.

The Bill relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan, and investment and trust business, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by inserting at the end of section 1 the following: " And *provided*, that this section shall not apply to any corporation, duly established under the laws of another State, whose business and financial condition has been examined and approved by the commissioner of foreign mortgage corporations, as provided in the Acts of the year 1889." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

At five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 5, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of R. F. Randall and others that neither the Braintree Water Supply Company nor the town of Braintree shall be liable for the taking of water, under and by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of 1886, to any persons or corporations for the purposes named in this Act; and of Benjamin F. Dyer and others, residents of Braintree, for an Act confirming the right of "Braintree Water Supply Company" to take water from its filter gallery, and for other legislation, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough of Boston.

Braintree
Water Supply
Company.

A Bill providing for the final disposition of sums of money deposited in the name of a judge of probate court, as trustee, or by order of any court, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Disposition of
sums of money
deposited in the
name of a judge
of probate.

A Bill to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the superior court, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read. Mr. Rowell of Methuen raised the point of order that the bill was obnoxious to House Rule No. 48, being substantially the same measure as a bill previously rejected by the House, and was therefore improperly before the House. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the bill was laid aside, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Appeals from
assessors of
taxes to the
superior court.
Point of order.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Decisions of the
supreme judi-
cial court.

Statistics of
deposits in sav-
ings banks.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Washington.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to enable the town of Washington to elect an auditor or auditors, at a special meeting, ought to pass.

Titles to real
estate.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for determining the validity, nature or extent of certain incumbrances upon titles to real estate, ought to pass.

Technical
instruction in
schools.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Education into the subject of technical instruction in schools, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, for a second reading.

Claims against
the Common-
wealth by the
Dudley tribe of
Indians.

By Mr. McCall, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to enable the commissioners for the Dudley tribe of Indians to prosecute in the superior court certain claims against the Commonwealth, ought to pass.

Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Conveyances of
real estate.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for defining lands or persons to be benefited by conditions, restrictions or stipulations imposed in future conveyances of real estate, ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

Examination of
schools.

On motion of Mr. Hildreth of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all schools, both public and private, to see that the education given in such schools comes up to the standard required by law, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Assessment and
apportionment
of poll taxes.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on

orders relative to assessment and apportionment of poll taxes, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Resolution ^{Prorogation.} relative to the prorogation of the General Court was taken from the table, and considered. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out, in line 1, the words, "twenty-ninth day of May," and inserting in place thereof the words, "sixth day of June." The amendment was adopted, and the resolution, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill, confirming certain proceedings of ^{Bill enacted.} the Charles Street Baptist Society, and to authorize said society to dispose of its property and dissolve the corporation (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to incorporate the Water Works Security Company of Massachusetts; and the

Resolve providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend section one of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, requiring the equipment of fire departments with certain apparatus, was considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend in section 1, by striking out all of said section after the word "purposes," in line 25, and inserting in place thereof the following: "The personal and real estate belonging to Grand Army and Veteran associations, incorporated within this Commonwealth for the purpose of owning property for the use and

occupation by Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, shall be deemed to be the property of charitable institutions, and exempt from taxation, provided the net income from said property is used for charitable purposes in aid of needy soldiers of the War of the Rebellion, and their dependents." Pending the amendment, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, postponed for further consideration until the afternoon.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to prevent fine and imprisonment of persons found intoxicated, was considered. Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to prevent fining or imprisonment for first offences of drunkenness in cities and towns where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed " Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute, by striking out, in lines 2, 3 and 4, the words, " where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed." Mr. Deering of Braintree moved to amend in line 10, by striking out the word " arrested," and inserting in place thereof the words, " convicted of drunkenness." Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend by striking out at the end of the bill the following words: " Such portions of sections twenty-five, twenty-six and twenty-seven of chapter two hundred and seven of the Public Statutes as permit the fining and imprisonment of persons for intoxication only, shall not apply in cities and towns where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed." Mr. Kimball of Lynn moved to amend by the addition of a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: " *Sect. 2.* The officers making arrests, as provided in the first section, shall make a record of all arrests; which record shall be placed in the custody of the police court or trial justice in the place where the arrests are made."

After debate, the several amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, for a second reading.

An Engrossed Resolve.

An engrossed Resolve, for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown and vicinity in the State of

Pennsylvania, was put upon its final passage, and considered. After debate, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the resolve was laid upon the table.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be directed to give his opinion upon the constitutionality of the “ Resolve for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown and vicinity in the State of Pennsylvania,” now pending in the House of Representatives.

Opinion of the Attorney-General on the Resolve for the relief of the Johnstown, Pa., sufferers.

At ten minutes before twelve o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Hixon of Chelsea, petition of Theodore Winthrop Post 35, G. A. R., Department of Massachusetts, and sixty-two other Posts, for the passage of a Bill empowering the Governor and Council to appoint annually such numbers of directors of the Soldiers' Home as shall give the Commonwealth an equal interest in the management of said home. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

To provide for the making and collecting of sewer assessments in the city of Boston ;

City of Boston, — sewer assessments.

To authorize the town of Charlemont to make by-laws to regulate the use of ways and bridges ; and

Charlemont.

In relation to the execution of the death penalty ; and a

Death penalty.

Resolve providing for the expenses and for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire ;

Boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Marine park in
Boston.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to further enlarge the area of the proposed marine park of the city of Boston, between South Boston and Castle Island, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to prohibit the granting of licenses to aliens and non-residents for the sale of intoxicating liquors had been referred by that branch to the next General Court; also, that the House bills:

Danvers.

To authorize the town of Danvers to provide its inhabitants with electric light and power;

Intoxicating
liquors.

Prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by innholders on the Lord's day and election days; and

Passenger
elevators.

In relation to the employment of persons for the care, custody or running of passenger elevators; and the

Special committee,
—taxation
of costs in the
courts.

House order, That a special committee, to consist of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess, to consider the entire subject of the taxation of costs in the several courts of the Commonwealth;

Had severally been rejected by that branch.

Boston Electric
Elevated Rail-
way Company.

Notice was also received that the House Bill authorizing the incorporation of the Boston Electric Elevated Railway Company had been laid aside in the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Naturalization
of aliens.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to giving each district court in the Commonwealth jurisdiction of primary declarations of intentions of aliens to become citizens of the United States, and final applications for naturalization of aliens.

District and
police courts.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to making district and police courts courts of record, with a seal and a clerk, and to provide for the appointment and salaries of the same.

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending

chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the liability of employers to employees for personal injuries.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to earlier presentation to the Legislature of annual reports of boards and commissions.

Reports of boards and commissions.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to taxing and certifying costs in inferior courts and before trial justices.

Costs in inferior courts and before trial justices.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John B. Abbott for legislation authorizing the public administrator to distribute to him, and others next of kin of Henry S. Greene, certain money.

John B. Abbott.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to costs in criminal proceedings, and to the condition of the inferior courts.

Costs in criminal proceedings.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the tenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sullivan of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Tenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blodgett, and sent up for concurrence.

Thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William F. Driesman for the payment of \$241.75 wrongfully paid to the Commonwealth in 1887. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wales of Attleborough.

William F. Driesman.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendment to the House Bill relating to the transmis-

Transmission of intelligence by telephone.

sion of intelligence by telephone. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment; and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State Normal
School at Fram-
ingham.

By Mr. Russell of Douglas, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the State Normal School at Framingham ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Publication of
early Acts and
Resolves of the
General Court.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the publication of the early Acts and Resolves of the General Court ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wales, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Cambridge.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Cambridge to be exempted from the provisions of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the erection and construction of certain buildings.

Punishment of
habitual
criminals.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to repeal chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the punishment of habitual criminals.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Probate of wills.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill to provide for making the probate of a will or a determination of intestacy conclusive in certain cases, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of Mr. Qua, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Distribution of
money depos-
ited or invested
by order of pro-
bate courts.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of probate courts.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, on an order and petitions, a Bill in relation to naturalization. Naturalization.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Salem to take certain lands in South River for the laying out of streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Salem.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Concerning the Onset Street Railway Company (which originated in the House) ; and Bills enacted.

To provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House ; Resolves passed.

Providing for certain expenses of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

To provide for the establishment of an industrial school at the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for other purposes ;

In favor of Frances M. Wilbar ;

In favor of Simon B. Tuesley ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks ; Orders of the Day.

To enable the town of Washington to elect an auditor or auditors at a special meeting ; and

To provide for determining the validity, nature or extent of certain incumbrances upon titles to real estate ; and the

Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Education into the subject of technical instruction in schools ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court was read a second time, and considered ; and, after debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to provide for defining lands, or persons to be benefited by conditions, restrictions or stipulations imposed in future conveyances of real estate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prevent fining or imprisonment for first offences of drunkenness in cities and towns where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Prevaux of Amesbury moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting, after the word " Commonwealth," the words, " where the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is licensed." The amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester, at fifteen minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 6, 1889.

Met according to adjournment, at 10.15 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Martin L. Bassett and others for legislation to incorporate the Dracut Water Supply Company, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

Dracut Water
Supply Com-
pany.

A Bill to authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women) [Messrs. Berry of Salem, Brady of Lowell and Nichols of Gloucester, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

A Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the town of Watertown (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Watertown
police force.

The Senate Bill relative to the carrying on of the business of savings banks and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan and investment and trust business, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendments at "A" and "B," and non-concurred in the amendment at "C." On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rule was suspended, and the House insisted on its amendment at "C," and asked for a committee of conference; and Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Sanger of Cambridge and Pratt of Abington

Savings banks
and co-oper-
ative banks.

were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Hawkers and
peddlers.

The House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and Messrs. Davenport, E. J. Donovan and Cook were appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

Civil service,—
soldiers and
sailors.

The Senate Bill to give to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and Messrs. Parker, Hathorne and Hosmer had been appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

Bust of Samuel
Adams in
Doric Hall.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall, marked Samuel Adams; also, that the

Arthur L.
Huntington,—
electric elevated
railway com-
pany.

House Bill authorizing the incorporation of an electric elevated railway company by Arthur L. Huntington and others, had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
Massachusetts
District Police.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the chief of the Massachusetts District Police.

Rights of way
over another's
lands.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to rights of way across land of another.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge.

Controller of
county
accounts.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the controller of county accounts.

Report of the
Attorney-
General.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Attorney-General.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved in each case by Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the 46th Registration Report as relates to divorces. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and sent up for concurrence.

Forty-sixth
Registration
Report.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill in relation to the execution of the death penalty ought not to pass. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Death penalty.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Stockbridge
fire district.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in relation to petitions for partition ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Petitions for
partition.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to enable the commissioners for the Dudley tribe of Indians to prosecute in the superior court certain claims against the Commonwealth, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wales, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Dudley tribe
of Indians.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of two million dollars. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Wales, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

State tax.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to costs in cases of juvenile offenders. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Juvenile
offenders.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve providing for the

Boundary line
between Massa-
chusetts and

**New Hamp-
shire.** expenses and for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Provincial laws. By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in relation to the publication of the provincial laws ought to pass. (Messrs. Lovell of Boston, Bennett of Springfield and Gould of Warren dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on its engrossment.

**Boston,—sewer
assessments.** By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the making and collecting of sewer assessments in the city of Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

**Wages and lay
of fishermen.** By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills :
To authorize the Stockbridge Water Company to furnish additional water supply ;
To incorporate the Water Works Security Company of Massachusetts ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve, providing for the further collection and preservation of the public records of the parishes, towns and counties of the Commonwealth (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

**Orders of the
Day.** The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to repeal chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the punishment of habitual criminals, was accepted.

Bills :

Providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of probate courts ;

In relation to naturalization ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain lands in South River for the laying out of streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to enable the town of Washington to elect an auditor or auditors at a special meeting ; and the

Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Education into the subject of technical instruction in schools ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for making the probate of a will or a determination of intestacy conclusive in certain cases was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of the bill with the same title, reported by the committee on the Judiciary. After debate, the bill was substituted. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rules were suspended, and the bill was ordered to a third reading ; and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McCall, the bill was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by striking out in section 4, lines 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, the words, " in case, however, the number of volumes to be published during the term of the contract shall average less than two volumes a year, the amount to be paid to the reporter shall be reduced proportionately." The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend in section 4, line 3, by striking out the word " eight," and inserting in place thereof the word " five ;" also in lines 5 and 6 of the same section, by striking out the words, " which sum, with the amount to be paid to him under the said con-

tract," and inserting in place thereof the words, "and an additional sum of \$1,300 a year for clerk hire, and for the incidental expenses of his office, which sums." The amendments were rejected, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Cambridge to be exempted from the provisions of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the erection and construction of certain buildings, was considered. Mr. Perkins of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the erection and construction of certain buildings." After debate, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 65 to 76, and the report was accepted.

The Bill to prevent fining or imprisonment for first offences of drunkenness (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time, and considered.

Mr. Smith of Leicester moved to amend in section 1, line 7, by inserting after the word "intoxication" the words, "and then discharged: *provided, however, that a complaint may be made against any person so found intoxicated and arrested three times within twelve months next preceding the making of said complaint; and on trial said person may be convicted of being a drunkard and sentenced to confinement in any reformatory institution provided by law for treatment of dipsomania, not less than six months nor more than two years;*" also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3. Section twenty-six of chapter two hundred and seven of the Public Statutes is hereby repealed.*"

Mr. Sanger of Boston moved to amend, in section 1, line 12, by inserting after the word "sentenced" the words, "if such person is otherwise of good moral character."

Mr. Greenwood of Ashland moved to amend by adding, at the end of section 1, the following: "*provided, however, that if such person, in a 'no-license' city or town, will testify of whom he purchased the liquor, he may be discharged by the court.*"

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, the House

Adjourned at fifteen minutes before one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opinion of the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, which was read and placed on file : —

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
COMMONWEALTH BUILDING,
BOSTON, June 6, 1889.

Opinion of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral on the
Resolve for the
relief of the
Johnstown, Pa.,
sufferers.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In obedience to the order of the Honorable House, of June 5, to wit, "That the Attorney-General be directed to give his opinion upon the constitutionality of the Resolve for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown and vicinity, in the State of Pennsylvania, now pending in the House of Representatives," I have the honor to submit that I am of the opinion that, while the authority of the Legislature to impose taxes for "public purposes" is extensive and subject to few limitations, the passage of the Resolve above quoted would be the exercise of a power not existing under the Constitution.

Article IV. of part second of the State Constitution provides that the General Court may impose and levy proportional and reasonable taxes, duties and excises to be "disposed of by warrant under the hand of the Governor of this Commonwealth for the time being, with the advice and consent of the Council, for the public service, in the necessary defence and support of the government of said Commonwealth, and the protection and preservation of the subjects thereof, according to such acts as are or shall be enforced within the same."

This has been held by the supreme court to be a restriction of the power of the Legislature to raise money by taxation, and the limitation of the expenditure of the same "to public uses and the public service."

The persons sought to be benefited by this Resolve are citizens of another State, and apparently not within the range of any governmental obligations of the people of this State.

There appear to be no cases in the reports of the several States wherein the question of extra territorial application of State money, similar to the one under considera-

tion, has been distinctly raised, nor do we find in this State any instances of a similar appropriation of money for the benefit of inhabitants of another State.

Judge Cooley, a high authority on constitutional law, in his *Treatise on the Law of Taxation*, chapter four, lays down the following rule : —

“In considering the legality of the purpose of any particular tax, a question of first importance must always concern the grade of the government which assumes to levy it. The ‘public’ that is concerned in a legal sense in any matter of government, is the public the particular government has been provided for; and the ‘public purpose’ for which that government may tax is one which concerns its own people, and not some other people having a government of its own, for whose wants taxes are laid. There may, therefore, be a public purpose as regards the federal union which would not be such, as a basis for State taxation, and there may be a public purpose which would uphold State taxation, but not the taxation which its municipalities would be at liberty to vote and collect. The purpose must in every instance pertain to the sovereignty with which the tax originates; it must be something within its jurisdiction so as to justify its making provision for it.”

The same rule was laid down by Chief Justice Marshall in case of *McCulloch vs. State of Maryland*, in 4 Wheaton, 316; and by the supreme court of Wisconsin in case of *Broadhead vs. Milwaukee*, reported in the 19 Wisconsin, 701, which quotes with approval the case of *Sharpless vs. Philadelphia*, in the 21 Penn. 147, where the subject is discussed.

In *Desty on Taxation*, page 22, it is said : —

“The taxing power cannot be invoked in aid of enterprises strictly private. It is illegitimate to provide for a private purpose; and it is not competent to levy taxes to be paid over to individuals or associations merely because they are charitable. The legislative departments of the American governments cannot arbitrarily take the property of one citizen and give it to another, and of course cannot authorize others to do so.”

And numerous authorities are there cited to substantiate this position. There must be either some territorial obligation or policy of State citizenship, or a resulting benefit of a character recognized by the courts. And it

has been held that a remote and incidental benefit that comes from aid to private persons, and enterprises not of a public character, is not sufficient; and, as above stated, the "public" of the law is the public of the State or municipality to be benefited.

The same doctrine substantially is held in the case of *Lowell vs. Boston*, 111 Mass. 454, wherein the supreme court declared void a law authorizing of bonds by the city of Boston for the purpose of raising money with which to make loans in aid of individuals in rebuilding the burned portion of that city; and in the supreme court of Kansas in case of the State *vs. Osage*, 14 Kas. 416, in construing a statute authorizing the raising of money by taxation for the purposes of providing "the destitute citizens of such townships with provisions and with grain for seed and feed," it was held unconstitutional. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

A. J. WATERMAN,

Attorney-General.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the engrossed Resolve for the relief of the sufferers from the disaster in Johnstown and vicinity in the State of Pennsylvania was taken from the table and was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Relief of sufferers from the disaster at Johnstown, Pa.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, a Bill providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature. On motion of Mr. Shepard, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Compensation of members of the General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on the text and comparative tables of Part II. of the annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life and casualty insurance; and

Insurance Commissioner, — life and casualty insurance.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city

City of Boston.

of Boston for a grant to said city of a parcel of land in South Boston now leased as a playground;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Qua of Lowell.

Taxation of
leased proper-
ties.

A Bill providing for the taxation of leased properties in use in this Commonwealth, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Rowell of Methuen, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Divorce.

A Bill to permit the granting of divorces in cases of the excessive use of opium or other drugs (being a new draft of a House Bill with the title, "Bill relating to further causes for divorce"), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Message from
the Governor, —
Southern Ver-
mont Railroad
Company, —
Fitchburg Rail-
road Company.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, recommending that authority be granted the Governor and Council to sell and convey the Southern Vermont Railroad to the Fitchburg Railroad Company, and to compromise and settle all claims and matters in controversy between the Commonwealth and the Fitchburg and the Troy and Boston Railroad Company, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Meigs elevated
railroad.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated roads had been referred by that branch to the next General Court; also that the

House bills:

Employment of
minors.

To amend chapter 483 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled, "An Act relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language;" and

Use of money
in elections.

To restrict and regulate the use of money in elections; Had severally been rejected by that branch.

Reports of Committees.

Plumbers.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 105 of the Acts of 1888, relative to the registration and licensing of plumbers.

Sunday enter-
tainments.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee,

reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to more clearly defining what may be a lawful entertainment under a license regularly issued under chapter 102, section 105, and known as Sunday entertainments. Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of W. J. Shield and others for such revision of the present lien law as will better protect the workmen in the collection of their wages. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

Lien law, — collection of wages.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting persons not regularly admitted to the bar, representing themselves by card, sign or advertisement as attorneys or counsellors at law.

Persons not regularly admitted to the bar.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the civil service law so as to more clearly define the preference to be given in appointments to office to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

Civil service, — soldiers and sailors.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Foxborough Water Supply District for legislation extending the time for the organization of said district. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton, and sent up for concurrence.

Foxborough Water Supply District.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the forty-first annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Edward Sullivan of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to the divi-

Poll-tax bills.

sion of poll-tax bills. Read and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. McCall, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boards of
health in cities.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, compelling cities to establish boards of health. Read and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Keepers of
lockups.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill amending section 34 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to the keepers of lockups. Read and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Health,—pol-
lution of bodies
of water from
which ice is cut.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, on a communication from the State Board of Health, a Resolve relative to an investigation by the State Board of Health of ponds, lakes, streams or other bodies of water used as ice supplies. Read and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Brown of North Adams, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Divorce.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to permit the granting of divorces in cases of the excessive use of opium or other drugs, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. McCall, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Town of
Charlemont.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the town of Charlemont to make by-laws to regulate the use of ways and bridges, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Dewey, the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Disposition of
money depos-
ited in the name

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the committee on Pro-
bate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill providing for

the final distribution of sums of money deposited in the name of a judge of probate as trustee, or by order of court, ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out at the end of section 1 the words, "no more than two thousand dollars to be deposited in any one bank or institution for savings," and inserting in place thereof the words, "without regard to the amount deposited." Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and ordered to a third reading; and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Brewer, the bill, as amended, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

of a judge of
probate.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to prevent the officers or agents of a city from being engaged in contracts in which the city is a party, ought not to pass. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Dewey, the rule was suspended, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Agents of a
city engaged in
contracts.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers, recommending that the House should recede from its non-concurrence in the amendment at "A;" and also that the House should recede from its non-concurrence in the amendment at "B," and concur therein; with an amendment at "C," striking out the words, "who served to the credit of," and inserting in place thereof the words, "resident in;" and with an amendment at "D," inserting the words, "who served;" and also with an amendment at "E," striking out the words, "or who, being an actual resident of this Commonwealth, at the time of his enlistment served to the credit of any other state." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wardwell, and sent up for concurrence.

Hawkers and
peddlers.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases, that the House should recede

Larceny.

from its non-concurrence in the amendment at "A." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wardwell, and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of probate courts.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of probate courts, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Publication of decisions of the supreme judicial court.

Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, passed to be engrossed the Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, rejected the amendments moved by him, in section 4, line 3, by striking out the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word "five;" also in lines 5 and 6 of the same section, by striking out the words, "which sum, with the amount to be paid to him under the said contract," and inserting in place thereof the words, "and an additional sum of thirteen hundred dollars a year for clerk hire and for the incidental expenses of his office, which sums." The motion prevailed. The question recurring on the amendments, they were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To abolish the term fees of clerks in the supreme judicial and superior courts, and before county commissioners;

Concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents;

Concerning the order of trials in criminal cases;

Relating to the transmission of intelligence by telephone ;

To fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the town of Watertown ; and

To authorize the enlargement of the proposed marine park in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To enable the town of Washington to elect an auditor or auditors at a special meeting ; and

To provide for making the probate of a will or a determination of intestacy conclusive in certain cases ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to an investigation of the various methods of inflicting the death penalty ; Resolves passed.

(Which originated in the House) ; and

Providing for the publication of the early Acts and Resolves of the General Court ;

Providing for an investigation by the State Board of Education into the subject of technical instruction in schools ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Hour of Adjournment.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to suspend the rule requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment on the completion of the business on which the House is engaged at five o'clock. The motion prevailed. Hour of adjournment.

Limit of Debate.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was voted that speeches on remaining matters pending in the orders of the day be limited to five minutes each. Limit of debate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to provide for the making and collecting of sewer assessments in the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In relation to petitions for partition ; and

In relation to naturalization ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for determining the validity, nature or extent of certain incumbrances upon titles to real estate ;

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge ;

To enable the commissioners for the Dudley tribe of Indians to prosecute in the superior court certain claims against the Commonwealth ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain lands in South River for the laying out of streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to costs in cases of juvenile offenders was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent fining or imprisonment for first offences of drunkenness was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Smith of Leicester, Sanger of Cambridge and Greenwood of Ashland, were severally rejected.

Mr. Brown of Salem moved to amend in section 1, lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words, "in the discretion of the officer, either taken home or;" also in line 6, by striking out the words, "in some suitable place;" also in line 7, by inserting after the word "intoxication" the words, "the chief of police of such city or town may discharge such person on his recovery, provided such person has not been arrested for other like offences." The amendments were rejected, by a vote of 49 to 63. On the question on the engrossment of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Cook of Weymouth; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 96 yeas to 85 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Richard B.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Bancroft, Lewis M.
 Barry, Richard M.
 Beck, Walter P.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, Edward F.
 Burgess, John H.
 Burke, James J.
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Davis, Joshua H.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
 Douglas, William S.
 Duggan, Thomas H.
 Eddy, Lyman R.
 Edwards, John
 Eldredge, George D.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Garvey, Michael J.
 Gillespie, John F.
 Glasgow, Edward B.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gould, John B.
 Harrington, Z. Taylor
 Haskell, Forbes P.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Heslan, John E.
 Hixon, William S.
 Holder, Langdon H.
 Howard, John F.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kempton, David B.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, Rufus

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William W.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lincoln, James D.
 Littlefield, Stephen S.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Macfarlane, John
 Marchant, Cornelius B.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McDonough, John H.
 McDonough, John J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McNary, William S.
 Means, Robert F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Moore, Michael J.
 Morison, Frank
 Morse, I. Porter
 Murphy, William H.
 Nichols, William H.
 Nolan, Joseph
 Norcross, J. Henry
 O'Mealey, John W.
 Parks, Oren B.
 Pillsbury, Omer
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richmond, Albert E.
 Rowell, William R.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles H.
 Shepard, George A.
 Smith, Henry O.
 Snow, Thomas
 Sohler, William D.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stafford, John H.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Edward
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.
 Turner, Henry E., Jr.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Holman, Frank E.
Albree, John	Howe, Herbert W.
Alden, Jared F.	Howes, Charles
Alden, Thomas	Kimball, John W.
Ayres, George	Kittredge, Francis W.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bennett, John O.	Martin, James P.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Mead, Albert
Blume, Andreas	Merrill, John F.
Bond, Nelson F.	Milton, Henry S.
Bonney, J. Dean	Newhall, Albert H.
Bowman, Robert H.	Nichols, Edward M.
Brewer, Edward W.	Oakman, Henry P.
Brewster, Charles K.	Packard, John B.
Brooks, Horace S.	Patridge, Joseph A.
Brooks, William H.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Brown, Orland J.	Pierce, John N.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Plaisted, John W.
Carpenter, George N.	Potter, Lurin J.
Carter, Charles E.	Prevaux, John J.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Purrington, Ellis B.
Clemence, George L.	Putnam, Charles C.
Conant, Nelson B.	Qua, Francis W.
Connell, Thomas H.	Reed, George A.
Conwell, David	Ripley, John B.
Cook, Louis A.	Rogers, George C.
Curtis, Francis C.	Rugg, Charles P.
Cutler, Nahum S.	Sherman, Everett F.
Dame, Luther	Slocum, Winfield S.
Davis, Epes	Smalley, Anthony
Ferry, William F.	Sprout, William B.
Foote, Charles N.	Stanley, Stephen
Giddings, Theodore	Stearns, George C.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Swallow, George N.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Taft, Edgar S.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Grant, Charles, Jr.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Greenwood, Abner	Wales, Abijah T.
Hale, William M.	White, William L., Jr.
Hamilton, Henry D.	Wood, Samuel
Hanson, Charles H.	Wyckoff, William A.
Harris, Robert O.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Henry, Robert	

Yeas, 96 ; nays, 85.

On this question, Messrs. Kennedy of Boston, O'Neil of Boston and Dubuque of Fall River, who, it was announced,

would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Preble of Boston, Dallinger of Cambridge and Gardiner of Raynham.

Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, Mr. Hayes of Lynn moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. The motion was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 75.

The Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks was read a third time, and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending the following amendments: In section 1, line 3, insert after the word "Commonwealth" the words "and present in its annual report;" at the end of section 3, strike out the words "in the next annual report;" also insert a new section, to be numbered section 7, as follows: "*Sect. 7.* This act shall take effect upon the first day of November, in the year 1889." The amendments were adopted. Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend in section 2, line 6, by striking out the word "condition" and inserting in place thereof the word "relation," which amendment was also adopted. After debate, on the main question of the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester; and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected, by a vote of 45 yeas to 98 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Leary, Edward J.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Littlefield, Stephen S.
Barry, Richard M.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Bennett, Charles H.	Macfarlane, John
Brooks, William H.	McCooley, Thomas
Coveney, John W.	McDonald, Peter J.
Duggan, Thomas H.	McDonough, John H.
Farren, Thomas G.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Ferren, Myron J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.	McNary, William S.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Mellen, James H.
Gould, John B.	Murphy, William H.
Hixon, William S.	Nichols, Edward M.
Howard, John F.	Norcross, J. Henry
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Parks, Oren B.
Kimball, Rufus	Pratt, Harvey H.

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Messrs. Richards, James H.
Rowell, William R.
Sanger, Chester F.
Shepard, George A.
Snow, Thomas
Stearns, George C.

Messrs. Sullivan, Michael F.
Tompkins, Isaac B.
Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Turner, Henry E., Jr.
Wales, Abijah T.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.
Albree, John
Alden, Thomas
Allen, Montessor T.
Ayres, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Barker, Thomas E.
Bigelow, Alden M.
Blume, Andreas
Bond, Nelson F.
Bonney, J. Dean
Bottum, John B.
Brewster, Charles K.
Brooks, Horace S.
Brown, Edward F.
Brown, Orland J.
Call, Charles A.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carter, Charles E.
Clayton, Horace E.
Conant, Nelson B.
Connell, Thomas H.
Cook, Louis A.
Crane, Robert B.
Crowell, Joshua
Curtis, Francis C.
Cutler, Nahum S.
Dallinger, Frank W.
Dame, Luther
Davis, Epes
Davis, Joshua H.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Douglas, William S.
Foote, Charles N.
Fottler, Jacob
Frost, Henry
Gardiner, Charles B.
Giddings, Theodore
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.

Messrs. Glasgow, Edward B.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Greenwood, Abner
Hale, William M.
Hamilton, Henry D.
Hanson, Charles H.
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harris, Robert O.
Haskell, Forbes P.
Henry, Robert
Holman, Frank E.
Howe, Herbert W.
Howes, Charles
Kempton, David B.
Kimball, Henry A.
Kimball, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lincoln, James D.
Martin, James P.
Mead, Albert
Mendall, Noah F.
Miller, Albert E.
Milton, Henry S.
Morison, Frank
Nichols, William H.
Oakman, Henry P.
Packard, John B.
Paige, Frank E.
Patridge, Joseph A.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Pierce, John N.
Pike, Baxter P.
Potter, Lurin J.
Qua, Francis W.
Raymond, Francis H.
Reed, George A.
Richmond, Albert E.
Ripley, John B.
Rogers, George C.

Messrs. Rugg, Charles P.	Messrs. Swallow, George N.
Sanger, George P., Jr.	Taft, Edgar S.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Smalley, Anthony	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Henry O.	Wood, Samuel
Stanley, Stephen	Woodward, Charles F.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Wyckoff, William A.
Sullivan, Edward	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 45 ; nays, 98.

On this question, Messrs. Carroll of Worcester, Leach of Palmer, McDonough of Fall River, Cronin of Worcester, O'Neil of Boston and Keliher of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Cheney of Worcester, Newhall of Sterling, Marchant of Edgartown, Eddy of Webster, Thompson of Brockton and Bowman of Boston.

Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was rejected. Pending debate on the motion to reconsider, Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that debate was not in order, for the reason that, under House Rule 69, the motion should be placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. The Speaker ruled that the point of order was not well taken, stating that the rule did not apply in this instance, since the rule specially excepts motions to reconsider when made in the last week of the session ; and inasmuch as the House had adopted a resolution relative to prorogation on June 6, the present week should be considered the last week of the session.

After debate, the motion to reconsider was lost, by a vote of 43 to 75.

The Resolve in relation to the publication of the provincial laws was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Pending this question, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, at twenty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 7, 1889.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Holder of Lynn, —

Pay-roll.

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-roll make up the pay-roll for the compensation of members for attendance during the present session of the Legislature; also the travel, to be computed according to the table of distance established by order of the House of Representatives, adopted Feb. 4, 1869; and that the pay of Stephen L. Northup of Lanesborough be made up as for the full session.

*Introduced on Leave.*George
Eldridge.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, a Resolve in favor of George Eldridge. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Wales, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently, the resolve came down concurred in the suspension of the rule. On motion of Mr. Glasgow of Worcester, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

*Papers from the Senate.*Damage by
dogs.

A Bill relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals (being a new draft of a House Bill with the title, "Bill in addition to and to amend chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, neat cattle and other domestic animals"), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Fire inquests.

A Bill in relation to fire inquests, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bulletin of com-
mittee hearings.

A report of the joint special committee on Rules, relative to the publication of the bulletin of committee hear-

ings, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester.

The House Bill to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court for the county of Suffolk came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Trial list in superior court, Suffolk County.

The House Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Preservation of health in buildings in the city of Boston.

The Senate Bill relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan and investment and trust business, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, Messrs. Evans, Harlow and Davenport, being appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

Savings banks, — co-operative banks.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law of libel, so as to provide that no action shall be maintained for publication of matter of legitimate interest to the public, if made without actual malice, and effectually retracted or corrected by the publisher or author, if untrue or mistaken, upon request of any person aggrieved by original publication.

Libel.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law of libel so that the defendant may be permitted to rebut the presumption of malice in all cases, and providing a new measure of damages in cases where it is proved that malice did not exist.

Ibid.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate

Suffolk County, — daily trial list

in the superior court.

amendment to the House Bill to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in Suffolk County. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the rules were suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

By Mr. Carter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for the expenses and for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Civil service,—soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Barnes of Chelsea, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules, that they are unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the House asked for a new committee of conference; and Messrs. Sanger of Boston, Turner of Malden and Stover of Haverhill were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate for concurrence in the appointment of the committee.

Savings and co-operative banks.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan and investment and trust business, recommending that the House recede from its amendment at "C," and that the bill be amended by striking out the words, "in the manner of," in the third line of the first section thereof, and in the seventh line of the same section. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Fire inquests.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill in relation to fire inquests ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the appointment of a reserve police force Bills enacted.
in the city of Lowell ;

To permit the granting of divorces in cases of the excessive use of opium or other drugs ;

Providing for the taxation of leased properties in use in this Commonwealth ;

Providing for a second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex ; and

Relating to the recording of office copies of instruments affecting the title to leased land in more than one county or registry district ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain lands in South River for the laying out of streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

To enable the commissioners for the Dudley tribe of Indians to prosecute in the superior court certain claims against the Commonwealth ; and

To provide for determining the validity, nature or extent of certain incumbrances upon titles to real estate ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for building a house for the dead at the Westborough Insane Hospital (which originated in the House) ; and

Providing for the expenses and for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill in relation to the division of poll-tax bills was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the Day.

The Bill to provide for the making and collecting of sewer assessments in the city of Boston was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve in relation to the publication of the provincial laws was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Shepard of Danvers moved to amend in line 3, by inserting, after the word "Council," the words, "who shall require annual reports of the condition, progress and cost of the work." The amendment was adopted. Mr. Barnes of Chelsea moved to amend in lines 7, 8 and 9, by striking out the words, "chapter 43 of the Resolves of the year 1865." The amendment was rejected, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process was considered, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McCall of Winchester; and, the roll being called, the rejection of the bill was negatived, by a vote of 77 yeas to 107 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Warren W.	Messrs. Harrington, Z. Taylor
Alden, Thomas	Harris, Robert O.
Allen, Richard B.	Harvey, James W.
Bennett, Charles H.	Hayes, Elihu B.
Bennett, John O.	Henry, Robert
Bixby, Charles C.	Hixon, William S.
Bottum, John B.	Holman, Frank E.
Brewer, Edward W.	Howard, John F.
Brooks, William H.	Howland, Willard
Carpenter, George N.	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Carroll, Peter T.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Clayton, Horace E.	Kempton, David B.
Crane, Robert B.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Crowell, Joshua	Lally, James, Jr.
Dearing, T. Haven	Lincoln, James D.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Marchant, Cornelius B.
Dewey, Henry S.	McCall, Samuel W.
Dubuque, Hugo A.	McDonald, Peter J.
Farren, Thomas G.	McDonough, John J.
Frost, Henry	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Garvey, Michael J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Gillespie, John F.	McLaughlin, Daniel
Gilman, Thomas K.	Means, Robert F.
Greenwood, Abner	Mellen, James H.
Hale, William M.	Milton, Henry S.

Messrs. Monahan, William H.	Messrs. Qua, Francis W.
Morison, Frank	Riley, Thomas
Morse, I. Porter	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Murphy, William H.	Sherman, Everett F.
O'Mealey, John W.	Slocum, Winfield S.
O'Neil, John W.	Snow, Thomas
Paige, Frank E.	Stafford, John H.
Perkins, George A.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Pillsbury, Omer	Thompson, A. Cranston
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Porter, Charles F.	Wales, Abijah T.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Preble, William H.	Worth, Ira A.
Putnam, Charles C.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John	Messrs. Dodge, Simeon, Jr.
Alden, Jared F.	Douglas, William S.
Allen, Montessor T.	Duggan, Thomas H.
Atherton, Horace H.	Eddy, Lyman R.
Atherton, Ralph L.	Ferren, Myron J.
Ayres, George	Foote, Charles N.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Fottler, Jacob
Bancroft, Lewis M.	Gilman, Gorham D.
Barnes, Franklin O.	Glasgow, Edward B.
Berry, Francis T.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Bigelow, Alden M.	Gould, John B.
Bliss, George	Gray, Robert S.
Blodgett, Percival	Hamilton, Henry D.
Bond, Nelson F.	Hanson, Charles H.
Bonney, J. Dean	Haseltine, Phineas W.
Bowman, Robert H.	Haskell, Forbes P.
Brady, Peter J.	Hildreth, John
Brewster, Charles K.	Holder, Langdon H.
Brooks, Horace S.	Howe, Herbert W.
Brown, Edward F.	Howes, Charles
Brown, Orland J.	Kimball, Henry A.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Kimball, John W.
Carter, Charles E.	Kimball, Rufus
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Lane, Hiram B.
Clemence, George L.	Leach, William W.
Conant, Nelson B.	Littlefield, Stephen S.
Connell, Thomas H.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Cook, Louis A.	Macfarlane, John
Coveney, John W.	Martin, James P.
Curtis, Francis C.	McDonough, John H.
Dame, Luther	Mead, Albert
Davis, Epes	Mendall, Noah F.
Davis, Joshua H.	Merrill, John F.

Messrs. Miller, Albert E.

Moore, Michael J.

Newhall, Albert H.

Nichols, Edward M.

Nichols, William H.

Norcross, J. Henry

Oakman, Henry P.

Packard, John B.

Parks, Oren B.

Perry, Charles

Pierce, Charles Q.

Pierce, John N.

Pike, Baxter P.

Plaisted, John W.

Potter, Lurin J.

Prevaux, John J.

Purrinton, Ellis B.

Reed, George A.

Richards, James H.

Ripley, John B.

Rugg, Charles P.

Messrs. Russell, Stillman

Shaw, Edward P.

Shepard, Charles H.

Shepard, George A.

Slocum, George W.

Smalley, Anthony

Smith, Henry O.

Sohier, William D.

Spring, Charles E.

Stanley, Stephen

Stearns, George C.

Stimpson, Daniel P.

Sullivan, Edward

Taft, Edgar S.

Thayer, Rufus A.

Tompkins, Isaac B.

Turner, Henry E., Jr.

Wood, Samuel

Woodward, Charles F.

Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 77; nays, 107.

On this question, Messrs. Cronin of Worcester, Grant of Revere, Barry of Boston, McCooley of Blackstone, Kennedy of Boston and Burgess of Fall River, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were respectively paired with Messrs. Raymond of Somerville, Wilcox of Pittsfield, Leary of Boston, Cutler of Greenfield, Sanger of Cambridge and Swallow of Boston.

The bill was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the town of Charlemont to make by-laws to regulate the use of ways and bridges was read a third time, and considered.

Point of order.

Mr. Pratt of Abington raised the point of order that the bill was not in order, as the subject matter of the same was broader in its scope than the petitions upon which it was based.

The Chair ruled that the point was not well taken. After debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Worth of Boston, at half-past twelve o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourn, it be to meet at half-past seven o'clock this evening.

Hour of meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that, on all matters not reported before half-past seven o'clock P.M., now pending before committees, report "reference to the next General Court" shall be made forthwith.

Reports of joint committees.

A Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to sell and convey the Southern Vermont Railroad to the Fitchburg Railroad Company (reported on a special message of His Excellency the Governor), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Southern Vermont Railroad.

The Senate Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office, under the civil service rules, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference, and that Messrs. Kingsley, Whitney and Baker were appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Civil service, — soldiers and sailors.

The House Bill requiring guardians and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Qua of Lowell, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Guardians and trustees.

The House Bill concerning the attendance of children in the schools came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Attendance of children in schools.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House bills:

Appropriating ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts firemen;

Massachusetts firemen.

Medicine and surgery.

Officers in attendance upon the municipal court in Boston.

Joint tenancy and tenancy in common.

Fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts.

Employers' liability.

To regulate the practice of medicine and surgery ;
To amend sections 54 and 63 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, in relation to officers in attendance upon the municipal courts of the city of Boston ;

Concerning joint tenancy and tenancy in common of real and personal estate ; and

To amend an Act in relation to the payment of fees in the supreme judicial and superior courts ; also, that the

House Bill relative to an Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Compensation of members of the Legislature.

Notice was also received that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature had been referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Employers' liability.

By Mr. Perkins of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, in reference to giving notice to the employer, by parties claiming damages for personal injuries, where said employer is a partnership, or a corporation, or is absent from the Commonwealth, or where the party injured is a minor. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, for a second reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, on motion of Mr. Reed of Framingham, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading ; and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Lovell of Boston, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Civil service, — soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Sanger of Boston, from the committee of conference on the matter of difference between the two

branches on the Senate Bill to give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office, under the civil service rules, that the House should recede from its amendment. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sanger, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Holder of Lynn, from the committee on Pay-roll, who were instructed to make up the pay-roll of the members of the House of Representatives, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, should be adopted:—

Report of the
committee on
Pay-roll.

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$180,000 is due to the members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present session of the General Court, and that the sum of \$1,862 is due for compensation for mileage, is approved; and that the same be sent to the treasurer and receiver-general. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted, and signed by the Speaker.

Limit of Debate.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Voted, That, during the remainder of the session, Limit of debate. speeches be limited to five minutes each.

Prorogation.

Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester moved that a committee Prorogation. be appointed on the part of the House, to inform the honorable Senate that the House will have transacted the business before it this evening, and will be ready to adjourn, and request the honorable Senate if there is a reasonable prospect that a final adjournment can be reached at that time. The motion prevailed, and Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, McDonough of Boston and Reed of Framingham were appointed, and subsequently the committee reported that they had attended to their duty.

Subsequently, a message was received from the Senate, informing the House that the Senate had adopted an order providing for an evening session, with the hope that a final adjournment may be accomplished this evening.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The Bill relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, on motion of Mr. Paige of Amherst, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to fire inquests was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill making the wages and lay of fishermen subject to attachment by the trustee process was read a second time, and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, on motion of Mr. Taft of Gloucester the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and considered.

After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Taft of Gloucester; and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected, by a vote of 67 yeas to 94 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Alden, Jared F.

Allen, Montessor T.

Atherton, Ralph L.

Bancroft, Lewis M.

Bliss, George

Blodgett, Percival

Bond, Nelson F.

Bowman, Robert H.

Brewster, Charles K.

Brooks, Horace S.

Brown, Edward F.

Brown, Orland J.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carter, Charles E.

Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Conant, Nelson B.

Connell, Thomas H.

Coveney, John W.

Messrs. Crane, Robert B.

Curtis, Francis C.

Davis, Epes

Dodge, Simeon, Jr.

Douglas, William S.

Eddy, Lyman R.

Ferren, Myron J.

Fottler, Jacob

Gould, John B.

Hamilton, Henry D.

Hildreth, John

Howe, Herbert W.

Howes, Charles

Kempton, David B.

Kimball, John W.

Lane, Hiram B.

Lovell, Clarence P.

Marchant, Cornelius B.

Messrs. McDonough, John H.

Mead, Albert
Mendall, Noah F.
Miller, Albert E.
Nichols, Edward M.
Oakman, Henry P.
O'Mealey, John W.
Packard, John B.
Parks, Oren B.
Perry, Charles
Pierce, John N.
Plaisted, John W.
Potter, Lurin J.
Purrington, Ellis B.
Raymond, Francis H.
Ripley, John B.

Messrs. Rogers, George C.

Rugg, Charles P.
Sanger, Chester F.
Shepard, Charles H.
Slocum, George W.
Smith, Henry O.
Sohier, William D.
Stanley, Stephen
Stearns, George C.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Stover, Martin L.
Sullivan, Edward
Taft, Edgar S.
Thayer, Rufus A.
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albree, John

Alden, Thomas
Allen, Richard B.
Ayres, George
Barker, Thomas E.
Barnes, Franklin O.
Barry, Richard M.
Beck, Walter P.
Bennett, Charles H.
Bennett, John O.
Blume, Andreas
Bonney, J. Dean
Bottum, John B.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, William H.
Burke, James J.
Call, Charles A.
Carpenter, George N.
Conwell, David
Cook, Louis A.
Cronin, James M.
Crowell, Joshua
Dallinger, Frank W.
Davis, Joshua H.
Dearing, T. Haven
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dewey, Henry S.
Dubuque, Hugo A.
Duggan, Thomas H.
Farren, Thomas G.
Ferry, William F.

Messrs. Frost, Henry

Gardiner, Charles B.
Gillespie, John F.
Gilman, Gorham D.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Glasgow, Edward B.
Grant, Charles, Jr.
Greenwood, Abner
Harrington, Z. Taylor
Harris, Robert O.
Harvey, James W.
Haseltine, Phineas W.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Henry, Robert
Holbrook, John D.
Holder, Langdon H.
Holman, Frank E.
Howard, John F.
Howland, Willard
Johnson, Henry H.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kemp, Horace G.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Rufus
Kittredge, Francis W.
Lattimore, Andrew B.
Leary, Edward J.
Lincoln, James D.
Macfarlane, John
McCall, Samuel W.
McCoocy, Thomas

Messrs. McDonald, Peter J.	Messrs. Putnam, Charles C.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Riley, Thomas
McLaughlin, Daniel	Rowell, William R.
Means, Robert F.	Sanger, George P., Jr.
Mellen, James H.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Milton, Henry S.	Smalley, Anthony
Monahan, William H.	Snow, Thomas
Murphy, William H.	Sprout, William B.
O'Neil, John W.	Stafford, John H.
Paige, Frank E.	Tripp, Pelatiah R.
Patridge, Joseph A.	Wales, Abijah T.
Perkins, George A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	White, William L., Jr.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Woodward, Charles F.
Preble, William H.	Worth, Ira A.
Prevoux, John J.	Wyckoff, William A.

Yeas, 67; nays, 94.

On this question, Messrs. Brooks of Springfield, Berry of Salem, Turner of Malden, Nichols of Gloucester and Pike of Topsfield, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were respectively paired with Messrs. Qua of Lowell, Pierce of Watertown, Morison of Boston, Shepard of Sandisfield and Atherton of Saugus.

Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

EVENING SESSION.

Resolutions Presented.

Disaster at
Johnstown, Pa.

Mr. Cook of Weymouth presented Resolutions tendering sympathy to the sufferers by the recent disaster at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, which were read and adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Whereas, Massachusetts has received with deep regret the sad intelligence of the appalling disaster which has fallen upon her sister State, Pennsylvania, in the recent flood, by which the borough of Johnstown and its vicinity has been so terribly devastated;

Resolved, That she hereby extends her sympathy and condolence to the citizens of that afflicted State, and

especially to the bereaved and suffering residents surviving the terrors of the stricken valley.

Resolved, That, while it is beyond the constitutional power of the Legislature to render aid from the public treasury, the citizens of this Commonwealth will, in their private capacity, sustain the prestige of Massachusetts for prompt and generous responses to public appeals for the relief of distress.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to transmit engrossed copies of these resolutions to the Governor of Pennsylvania and the municipal authorities of the borough of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relating to the accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees.

The House Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment, by a vote of 85 to 29, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Taxation.

The House Bill in relation to naturalization came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dubuque of Fall River, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Naturalization.

The House Bill to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Decisions of the supreme judicial court.

A Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court, adopted by the Senate, was read and adopted, in

Prorogation.

concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Means of Boston.

Controller of
county
accounts.

The House report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the second annual report of the controller of county accounts, came down accepted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words, "no legislation necessary thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words, "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Disposition of
money depos-
ited or invested
by order of
probate courts.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of probate courts.

Breaking and
entering.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House bills:

Damage by
dogs.

Relating to breaking and entering a dwelling-house in the night-time;

Real estate
titles.

To amend section 93 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to damages caused by dogs; and

Concerning recorded instruments affecting title to real estate.

Boards of
health in cities.

Also, that the House bills:

To amend chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, compelling cities to establish boards of health;

Keepers of
lockups.

Amending section 34 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to the keepers of lockups; and

Drunkenness.

To prevent fining or imprisonment for first offences of drunkenness;

Had severally been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

Naturalization.

Notice was also received from the Senate that the engrossed Bill in relation to naturalization had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
auditor of the
Commonwealth.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the auditor of the Commonwealth.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the statement of estimates for the year 1889. Statement of estimates for 1889.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Lovell of Boston.

By Mr. Dallinger of Cambridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, under section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, a report on the condition of the State arsenal and camp ground at South Framingham. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lovell of Boston, and sent up for concurrence. State arsenal and camp ground.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Read, and ordered to a second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Appropriation bill.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court for the county of Suffolk ; Bills enacted.

To increase the penalty for larceny in certain cases ;

Relating to licenses for hawkers and peddlers ;

To amend the Acts relating to the inspection and construction of buildings, and relating to the preservation of health in buildings, in the city of Boston ;

To apportion and assess a State tax of two million dollars ;

To provide for an adjournment of the September sitting of the superior court for the county of Essex to Lawrence and Haverhill ;

Requiring guardians and trustees residing or removing out of the Commonwealth to appoint an agent resident in the Commonwealth ;

Concerning the attendance of children in the schools ;

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain associations from taxation ;

Relating to the accounts and settlements of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees ;

In relation to the division of poll-tax bills ;
 In relation to petitions for partition ;
 For relief of sureties on bonds given to dissolve attachments ;

Relating to costs in cases of juvenile offenders ;

In relation to naturalization ;

To provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court ;

In further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized in the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

To give honorably discharged soldiers and sailors preference in appointments to office under the civil service rules ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited in the name of a judge of probate court, as trustee, or by order of any court ;

To authorize the town of Charlemont to make by-laws to regulate the use of ways and bridges ;

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge ;

To provide for the making and collecting of sewer assessments in the city of Boston ;

Relative to the carrying on of the business of savings and co-operative banks, and of banking, mortgage loan and investment and trust business ;

In relation to fire inquests ;

Relative to damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals ; and

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of George Eldridge ;

In relation to the publication of the provincial laws ;

Relative to an investigation by the State Board of Health of ponds, lakes, streams or other bodies of water used as ice supplies ; and

In favor of the State Normal School at Framingham ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to sell and convey the Southern Vermont Railroad to the Fitchburg Railroad Company was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was referred to the next General Court, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, by a vote of 89 to 54, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Southern Vermont Railroad,
— Fitchburg
Railroad
Company.

Resignation of a Member.

A communication was received from Henry S. Milton of Waltham, tendering his resignation as a member of the House of Representatives for the eighteenth Middlesex Representative District. The communication was read, and, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the resignation was accepted and placed on file.

Resignation of
Henry S. Milton
of Waltham,
Representative
from the 18th
Middlesex
District.

Resolutions.

Mr. Qua of Lowell being in the chair, Mr. Mellen of Worcester offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives be and hereby are tendered to the Honorable W. E. Barrett, Speaker of the House, for the courteous, fair and impartial manner in which he has discharged the onerous duties as presiding officer during the present session of the Legislature.

Resolution of
thanks to the
Speaker.

After remarks by Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Allen of Woburn, Coveney of Cambridge, Hayes of Lynn and Slocum of Newton, the resolution was unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

The Speaker resumed the chair, and spoke as follows :—

GENTLEMEN :— I confessed to an honest pride, when, five months ago, by your generous suffrages, I was called to this seat. To-night, after listening to the expressions of good-will and kindly feeling to which you have given utterance, and so kindly endorsed, the feelings of grateful appreciation are too strong for adequate expression. For these evidences of regard accept my thanks, and this tangible proof I shall prize, not simply for its beauty and its value, but because it will represent not only to me, but to those who shall come after, an experience in

my life which can never be else than a source of genuine pleasure and of honest pride.

I have to thank the members for constant support and courtesy, which have lightened up the session, so that, looking back upon the time when we met, many of us as strangers, down to the present, when we separate as friends, it seems as if whatever of friction or disagreement as was inevitable in such a body has been effaced, and we part, in the agreeable surroundings of this evening, each with the feelings of personal regard and esteem toward the others.

Although these resolutions are customary, yet it would be unworthy of the feeling with which they have been adopted, if I did not accept them as something more than perfunctory and formal. The Speaker of this House knows by too many proofs, that, whatever his personal defects may be, the House itself, with regard to its own traditions and history, gives to the office a dignity and importance which is maintained, not simply by the incumbent, but by the House by its sympathy and its decorum.

We have not agreed upon all subjects. We have been criticised, certainly not beyond the wont of critics, and, perhaps, not beyond our deserts. We have not developed any single leader, but every occasion has had its own leader, and he who was chief to-day perhaps was a follower to-morrow. But before me I believe I see numbers of men who this year have demonstrated qualities which shall bring them well into the front ranks of the public life of this Commonwealth. Party feeling we have hardly known. Those lines we did not draw in our organization, nor have we known them since. The questions before us are seldom political ones. We meet to consider business, educational and moral problems, and upon those we have divided with little regard to politics, each according to his belief.

This is a representative body, not of the ablest, not of the best, men in the State, but of the body politic. Without a ministry or a government to force legislation, we lack something in speed, and leaders made such by power of organization; but we have what is far preferable,—a body which executes the popular will, as I believe, with fairness and integrity, and one which the people trust. It is in representative bodies, and not in mere assemblages of parliamentary leaders, that the safety of our form of government rests; and here in Massachusetts we have kept

our General Court free to act its convictions without the suppression of minorities, in order and in peace.

To you, gentlemen, most of the credit for this is due; and yet I should lack appreciation of sincere and intelligent effort, did I not, for myself and in your behalf, now extend to the officers of the House the thanks that are their due. To the Clerk, whose unfailing knowledge and urbanity alike make him indispensable and popular, the courteous official and gentleman always; to his assistant, who by promotion deserves and holds his place, enjoys the position the more because the body which he serves numbers his father among its most honored members; to both I extend my hearty appreciation.

To the Chaplain, whose unfailing appearance and tender words have brightened the opening of our sessions, our friend as well as our officer; and to the Sergeant-at-Arms, brave veteran of our war, whose cheery presence has been a pleasure to this as to other legislatures, — to both of them I but express a general sentiment, when voicing the hope that many years may see them at their posts, welcoming the coming and speeding the parting of successive Houses.

We have not been without sorrow. Early in the session Mr. Bowerman of Lanesborough, in whom we had just begun to appreciate those qualities which made him honored at home, was taken from this body; and through the months one of our members, Mr. Eldridge of Chatham, has been unable to take his place, through prostration by serious illness. But death and illness are not strangers, and we may indeed be grateful that no other catastrophe has overwhelmed us.

And now the time has come for us to part. We may not have done all that we ought, and some things may have been done amiss; but I believe that it is within the bounds of justice to say that our efforts have been honestly for the public good, and that when the temporary shafts of criticism and disappointment have fallen, and the clear light is shed upon our record, it will bear the test, and be one of which the Commonwealth will have no cause to be ashamed.

We met from all walks of life, and with many varying purposes. We part with sincere regard and respect for differing views that we may hold. Especially under obligations for your kindly proofs of regard, I bid you all a safe return to your homes, success in the paths which

you may enter, many years of health and prosperity, and the blessing of heaven upon you all, collectively and singly, wherever you may be.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Clerk.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby tendered to Edward A. McLaughlin, its efficient Clerk, for the faithful, impartial, satisfactory and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the present session of the Legislature.

After remarks by Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Bottum of Northampton and Turner of Malden, the resolutions was unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

Mr. Pratt of Abington offered the following resolution:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Assistant Clerk.

Resolved, That, in the person of Mr. James W. Kimball, the House of Representatives has had an Assistant Clerk, painstaking and able, an urbane and pleasant gentleman, who has won for himself the good will and esteem of all the members.

After remarks by Messrs. Pratt of Abington and McDonough of Boston, the resolution was unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg offered the following resolution:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Sergeant-at-
Arms.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby expresses and extends to Capt. John G. B. Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms, and his assistants, its thanks and high appreciation for the faithful, efficient and impartial manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective positions during the present session.

After remarks by Messrs. Kimball of Fitchburg, Dewey of Boston, Sanger of Cambridge and Miller of Needham, the resolution was unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill offered the following resolution:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Chaplain.

Whereas, The Reverend Daniel W. Waldron has performed his duties as Chaplain of the House of Representatives with uniform earnestness of spirit, discrimination, judgment and patriotism,

Resolved, That the House of Representatives herewith assures him of its grateful appreciation of his services, and extends to him its parting compliments, and its hope for many years of usefulness in his useful calling.

Prorogation.

Ordered, That a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next. Prorogation.

Messrs. Sprague, Crosby and Stevens of Worcester and Hampshire having been appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Kimball of Fitchburg, Qua of Lowell, Sohler of Beverly, McDonough of Boston, Harris of East Bridgewater, Sprout of Worcester and McNary of Boston, were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Slocum, from the committee, afterward reported that they had waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and informed him of the action of the two branches; that His Excellency congratulated the members on the completion of their labor, and said that he would communicate further with the two Houses through the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

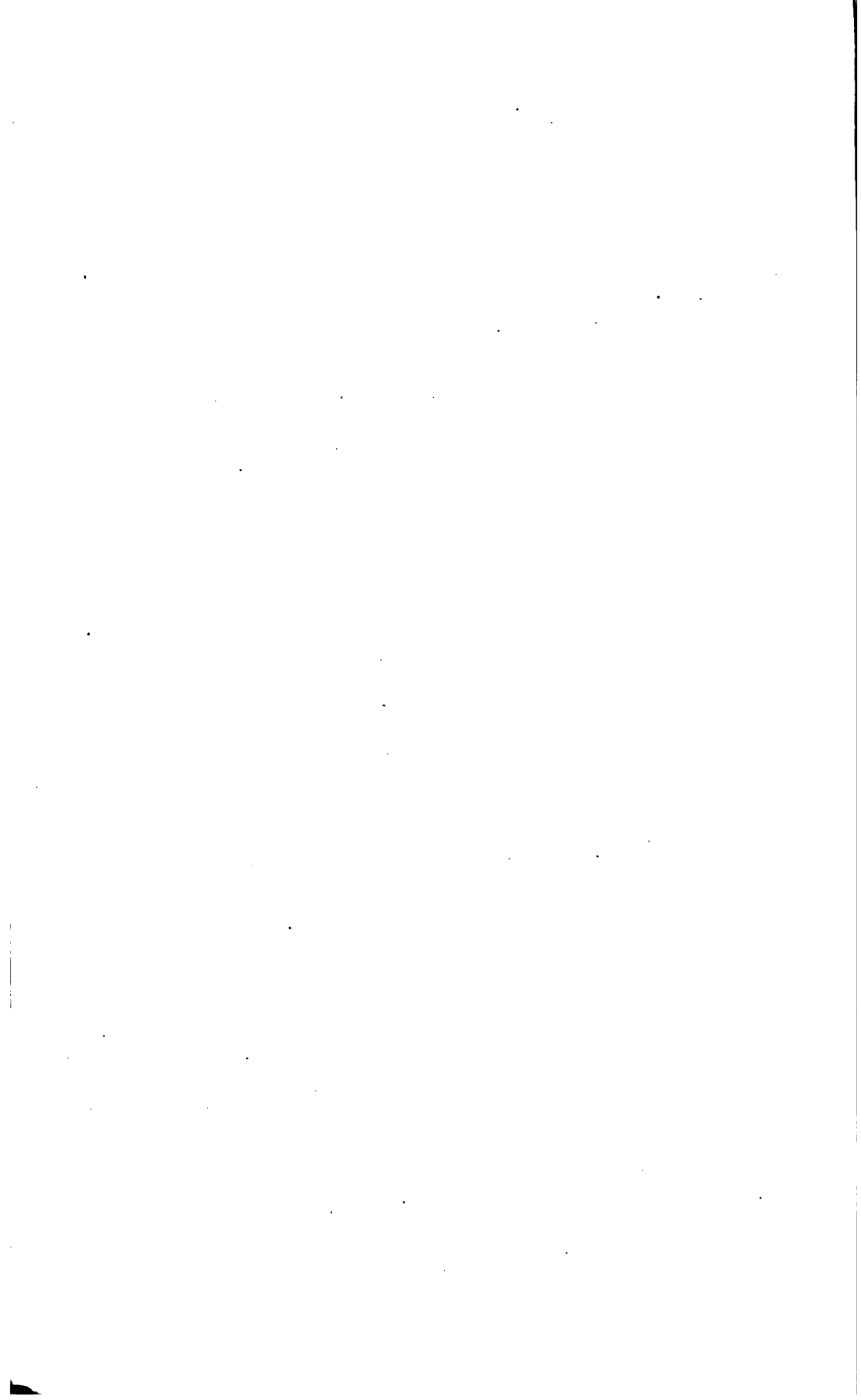
At eleven minutes past one o'clock A.M. the Secretary of the Commonwealth came in, and stated that His Excellency had signed during the session 473 Acts and 112 Resolves.

The Secretary further said that he had been directed by the Governor, with the consent of the Council, and in compliance with the request of the two branches, to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next. And the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest :

EDWARD A. McLAUGHLIN,
Clerk.

APPENDIX.



[No. 1.]

ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1889.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
Oliver Ames, <i>Governor</i> , ...	Easton, . .	Feb. 4, 1831,	Easton, . .	Manufacturer, .	1887
John Q. A. Brackett, <i>Lieut. Governor</i> , . .	Arlington, .	June 8, 1842,	Bradford, N.H.,	Lawyer, . . .	1887
Isaac N. Keith, <i>Councillor</i> , Dist. No. 1, . .	Bourne, . .	Nov. 14, 1838,	Sandwich, .	Manufacturer, .	1889
Arthur W. Tufts, " " 2, . .	Boston, . .	Feb. 20, 1828,	Charlestown, .	Banker, . . .	1889
Robert O. Fuller, " " 3, . .	Cambridge, .	Sept. 12, 1829,	Cambridge, .	Merchant, . .	1889
Edward J. Flynn, " " 4, . .	Boston, . .	June 16, 1859,	Boston, . .	Lawyer, . . .	1889
Augustus Mudge, . " " 5, . .	Danvers, . .	Aug 21, 1820,	Danvers, . .	Manufacturer, .	1889
Francis Jewett, " " 6, . .	Lowell, . .	Sept. 19, 1821,	Nelson, N. H.,	Merchant, . .	1887
George W. Johnson, " " 7, . .	Brookfield, .	Dec. 28, 1827,	Boston, . .	Lawyer, . . .	1887
Levi J. Ginn, " " 8, . .	Greenfield, .	June 30, 1830,	Conway, . .	Manufacturer, .	1888

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George H. Campbell, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> , ...	Easton, . .	Sept. 22, 1850,	Amherst, N.H.,	Lawyer, ...	1875
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> , ...	Newton, . .	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield, . .	-	1881
<i>Heads of Departments —</i>					
Henry B. Peirce, <i>Secretary</i> , ...	Abington, . .	Aug. 6, 1841,	Duxbury, . .	Insurance Broker, . .	1876
George A. Marden, <i>Treasurer</i> , ...	Lowell, . .	Aug. 9, 1839,	Mt. Vernon, N.H.,	Journalist, ...	1889
Charles R. Ladd, <i>Auditor</i> , ...	Springfield, . .	April 9, 1822,	Tolland, Conn.,	Insurance, ...	1879
Andrew J. Waterman, <i>Attorney-General</i> , ...	Pittsfield, . .	June 23, 1825,	No. Adams, . .	Lawyer, ...	1887
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> , ...	Salem, . .	June 25, 1840,	Salem, ...	Merchant, ...	1883

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

HARRIS C. HARTWELL, PRESIDENT.

Districts.	SENATORS.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
First Suffolk,	Benjamin F. Campbell,	Boston,	Sept. 12, 1834,	Halifax, N. S.,	Physician,	1882 ¹
Second "	Edwin L. Pillsbury,	Boston,	Apr. 21, 1850,	Bucksport, Me.,	Merchant,	1882 ¹
Third "	Edward J. Donovan,	Boston,	Mar. 15, 1864,	Boston,	Bookkeeper,	1887 ¹
Fourth "	James Donovan,	Boston,	May 28, 1859,	Boston,	Grocer,	1884 ¹
Fifth "	Henry H. Sprague,	Boston,	Aug. 1, 1841,	Athol,	Lawyer,	1881 ¹
Sixth "	John A. Collins,	Boston,	Aug. 29, 1860,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1886 ¹
Seventh "	Edward J. Hathorne,	Boston,	Apr. 2, 1854,	Boston,	Line of Coaches,	1886 ¹
Eighth "	Thomas F. Hunt,	Boston,	Oct. 27, 1854,	Boston,	Merchant,	1885 ¹
Ninth "	Daniel Gunn,	Boston,	— 1827,	Pickou, N. S.,	Printer,	1886 ¹
First Essex,	William A. Clark, Jr.,	Lynn,	June 9, 1852,	Newark, N. J.,	—	1886 ¹
Second "	Charles H. Symonds,	Salem,	Aug. 25, 1857,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1887 ¹
Third "	Benjamin F. Cook,	Gloucester,	Jan. 1, 1833,	Boston,	Real Estate,	1868 ¹
Fourth "	James D. Pike,	Merrimac,	Feb. 26, 1821,	Salisbury,	Treas. and Merch't,	1864 ¹
Fifth "	David Walker,	Lynn,	Aug. 3, 1841,	Scotland,	Laster,	1886 ¹
Sixth "	Edward F. O'Sullivan,	Lawrence,	June 23, 1858,	Lawrence,	Civil Engineer,	1884 ¹

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First Middlesex,	James F. Dwinell,	Winchester,	July 23, 1825,	Newport, N. H.,	Merchant,	1850 ¹
Second "	Henry J. Hosmer,	Concord,	Feb. 2, 1832,	Northfield,	Retired,	1884 ¹
Third "	Chester W. Kingsley,	Cambridge,	June 9, 1824,	Brighton,	Treasurer,	1882 ¹
Fourth "	William N. Davenport,	Marlborough,	Nov. 3, 1836,	Boylston,	Lawyer,	1885 ¹
Fifth "	Moses P. Palmer,	Groton,	May 1, 1850,	Derry, N. H.,	Farmer,	1884 ¹
Sixth "	Alonso H. Evans,	Everett,	Feb. 24, 1820,	Allenstown, N. H.	Pres. of Savings B'k,	1879 ¹
Seventh "	Frank W. Howe,	Lowell,	June 3, 1859,	Lowell,	Merchant,	1888 ¹
First Worcester,	Henry L. Parker,	Worcester,	Oct. 7, 1834,	Acton,	Lawyer,	1886 ¹
Second "	Silas M. Wheelock,	Uxbridge,	Nov. 11, 1818,	Uxbridge,	Manufacturer,	1888 ¹
Third "	Levi L. Whitney,	Millbury,	Jan. 20, 1838,	Princeton,	Manufacturer,	1881 ¹
Fourth "	Harris C. Hartwell,	Fitchburg,	Dec. 28, 1847,	Groton,	Lawyer,	1883 ¹
Worcester and Hampshire,	Charles E. Stevens,	Ware,	Apr. 21, 1843,	Ware,	Manufacturer,	1889 ¹
First Hampden,	Edwin D. Metcalf,	Springfield,	Mar. 14, 1848,	Smithfield, R. I.,	Merchant,	1880 ¹
Second "	George W. Gibson,	Chicopee,	Aug. 15, 1851,	Malone, N. Y.,	Grocer,	1888 ¹
Franklin,	Edwin Baker,	Shelburne,	Jan. 18, 1843,	Hawley,	Pharmacist,	1885 ¹
Berkshire,	John C. Crosby,	Pittsfield,	June 15, 1859,	Sheffield,	Lawyer,	1886 ¹
Berkshire and Hampshire,	Alfred S. Fassett,	Gt. Barrington,	Dec. 5, 1848,	Bennington, Vt.,	Merchant,	1884 ¹
First Norfolk,	James T. Stevens,	Braintree,	June 20, 1836,	Braintree,	Manufacturer,	1876 ¹
Second "	Enos H. Tucker,	Needham,	July 5, 1814,	Needham,	Railroad Sup't,	1885 ¹
First Plymouth,	Jubal C. Gleason,	Rockland,	Nov. 9, 1837,	Hubbardston,	Physician,	1870 ¹
Second "	James H. Harlow,	Middleboro',	Sept. 11, 1814,	Middleboro',	Merchant,	1886 ¹
First Bristol,	Austin Messinger,	Norton,	Nov. 2, 1817,	Norton,	Retired,	1851 ¹
Second "	Robert Howard,	Fall River,	Feb. 8, 1846,	England,	Cotton Spinner, etc.,	1881 ¹
Third "	Thomas W. Cook,	New Bedford,	Sept. 15, 1837,	New Bedford,	Retired,	1884 ¹
Cape,	David Fisk,	Dennis,	May 6, 1838,	Dennis,	Vessel Agent,	1882 ¹

¹ House of Representatives.

² Senate.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> , ...	Concord, . .	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea, . .	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> , ...	Cambridge, .	Mar. 12, 1862,	Louisville, Ky., .	1889
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> , ...	Lynn, . . .	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland, . .	1886
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> , ...	Sherborn, . .	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn, . .	1880*

* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WILLIAM E. BARRET, MELROSE, SPEAKER.

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1, ...	Albert R. Eldridge, ...	Bourne, ...	Sept. 10, 1850, ...	Wareham, ...	Dealer in Lumber and Hardw're, ...	1888, '89
2, ...	Joshua Crowell, ...	Dennis, ...	Oct. 24, 1843, ...	Dennis, ...	Farmer, ...	1884, '5, '8, '9
3, ...	*George Eldredge, ...	Chatham, ...	Nov. 27, 1822, ...	Chatham, ...	Hydrographer, ...	—
	David Conwell, ...	Provincetown, ...	Oct. 27, 1818, ...	Provincetown, ...	Wholesale Fish Dealer, ...	1888, '89
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, ...	Orland J. Brown, ...	North Adams, ...	Feb. 2, 1848, ...	Whitingham, Vt., ...	Physician and Surgeon, ...	1889
2, ...	Albert E. Richmond, ...	North Adams, ...	Sept. 23, 1819, ...	Pittstown, N. Y., ...	Retired, ...	1889
3, ...	Thomas Riley, ...	Adams, ...	Dec. 22, 1843, ...	Ireland, ...	Physician, ...	1889
	†Joshua L. D. Bowerman, ...	Lanesborough, ...	Jan. 15, 1830, ...	Adams, ...	Farmer, ...	1889
	Stephen L. Northup, ...	Lanesborough, ...	Aug. 6, 1834, ...	Cheshire, ...	Farmer, ...	1889
4, ...	Charles M. Wilcox, ...	Pittsfield, ...	Aug. 13, 1861, ...	Lee, ...	Lawyer, ...	1889
5, ...	Peter J. McDonald, ...	Pittsfield, ...	May 3, 1860, ...	New York City, ...	Clockmaker, ...	1889
6, ...	Charles N. Foote, ...	Lee, ...	Dec. 14, 1848, ...	Lee, ...	Bookkeeper, ...	1889
7, ...	Theodore Giddings, ...	Gt. Barrington, ...	Dec. 5, 1837, ...	Gt. Barrington, ...	Physician and Surgeon, ...	1887, '89
	George A. Shepard, ...	Sandisfield, ...	Dec. 23, 1820, ...	Sandisfield, ...	Trial Justice, ...	1881, '89

• Did not qualify.

† Died January 25. Stephen L. Northup of Lanesborough elected to fill vacancy.

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Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Stephen Stanley,	N. Attleboro,	June 11, 1842,	No. Attleborough,	Manuf'g Jeweller,	1889
2.	Abijah T. Wales,	Attleborough,	June 21, 1833,	Attleborough,	Blacksmith,	1878, 87, 8, '9
3.	Charles B. Gardiner,	Raynham,	June 19, 1849,	Somerset,	Manuf' of Tacks, Nails, etc.,	1889
4.	Rollin H. Babbitt,	Berkley,	May 30, 1840,	Berkley,	Farmer,	1888, 89
5.	William L. White, Jr.,	Taunton,	Feb. 21, 1843,	Dighton,	Carriage Manufacturer,	1888, 89
6.	William M. Hale,	Taunton,	June 26, 1820,	Taunton,	Mason Contractor,	1889
7.	Noah F. Mendall,	Acushnet,	May 2, 1836,	Rochester,	Farmer,	1889
8.	Isaac B. Tompkins,	New Bedford,	Aug. 17, 1826,	Westport,	Retired,	1888, 89
9.	David B. Kempton,	New Bedford,	Apr. 25, 1818,	New Bedford,	Merchant,	1889
10.	William Gordon, Jr.,	New Bedford,	Dec. 16, 1826,	New Bedford,	Merchant,	1888, '4, '8, '9
	Charles P. Rugg,	New Bedford,	Aug. 12, 1827,	Hinsdale, N. H.,		1888, 89
	George W. Slocum,	Dartmouth,	Nov. 18, 1818,	Dartmouth,	Master Mariner,	1888, 89
	John J. McDonough,	Fall River,	Mar. 15, 1857,	Fall River,	Lawyer,	1889
	John Edwards,	Fall River,	Dec. 23, 1852,	Stockport, Eng.,	Mule Spinner,	1889
	John H. Burgess,	Fall River,	Nov. 25, 1852,	Bristol, R. I.,	Clerk,	1889
	Robert Henry,	Fall River,	Nov. 12, 1833,	Lowell,	Retired,	1888, 8, 7, 8, 9
	Hugo A. Dubuque,	Fall River,	Nov. 3, 1854,	Canada,	Lawyer,	1889
	Charles Perry,	Rehoboth,	May 31, 1840,	Rehoboth,	Woodenware Manuf'r,	1889
Dukes County.						
No. 1.	Cornelius B. Marchant,	Edgartown,	Nov. 14, 1815,	Edgartown,	Selectman, etc.,	1889
Essex County.						
No. 1.	George C. Rogers,	W. Newbury,	Sept. 16, 1897,	West Newbury,	Farmer,	1900
	John J. Frevaux,	Amesbury,	Mar. 16, 1857,	Oakland, Cal.,	Carriage Builder,	1900

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2,	J. Otis Wardwell,	Haverhill,	Mar. 14, 1857,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1867, '88, '89
	Henry H. Johnson,	Haverhill,	Mar. 24, 1840,	Haverhill,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1869
3,	William R. Rowell,	Methuen,	Mar. 18, 1844,	North Troy, Vt.,	Lawyer,	1869
	Marthin L. Stover,	Haverhill,	Oct. 22, 1837,	Bluehill, Me.,	Provision Dealer,	1869
4,	Michael F. Sullivan,	Lawrence,	Sept. 22, 1858,	Lawrence,	Pharmacist,	1868, '89
	John F. Howard,	Lawrence,	Mar. 24, 1843,	Ireland,	Retired,	1869
5,	Phineas W. Haseltine,	Lawrence,	May 15, 1846,	Windham, N.H.,	Grocer,	1869
	John H. Stafford,	Lawrence,	Nov. 16, 1841,	England,	Brush Manufacturer,	1864, '89
6,	Thomas K. Gilman,	No. Andover,	Aug. 11, 1842,	Wells, Me.,	Merchant,	1861, '89
7,	Baxter P. Pike,	Topsfield,	Feb. 22, 1845,	Hamilton,	Farmer,	1869
	Edward P. Shaw,	Newburyport,	Sept. 1, 1841,	Newburyport,	Merchant,	1861, '2, '3, '9
8,	Luther Dame,	Newbury,	Mar. 3, 1826,	Kittery, Me.,	Real Estate,	1868, '89
	Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	Wenham,	Feb. 23, 1840,	Marblehead,	Farmer,	1869
9,	Edgar S. Taft,	Gloucester,	June 30, 1853,	Keene, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1869
10,	Epes Davis,	Gloucester,	Mar. 14, 1824,	Gloucester,	Mechanic,	1869
	Forbes P. Haskell,	Gloucester,	Apr. 6, 1844,	West Gloucester,	Insurance Agent,	1869
11,	William H. Nichols,	Gloucester,	Oct. 6, 1846,	Gloucester,	Bookkeeper,	1869
12,	William D. Sobier,	Beverly,	Oct. 22, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1868, '89
13,	Francis T. Belfry,	Salem,	Aug. 18, 1849,	Salem,	Grocer,	1866, '88, '89
14,	Samuel L. Gracy,	Salem,	Sept. 8, 1835,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Clergyman,	1866, '89
15,	Edward F. Brown,	Salem,	July 11, 1843,	Salem,	Leather Manufacturer,	1869
16,	Thomas Snow,	Marblehead,	Mar. 16, 1854,	Marblehead,	Fisherman,	1869
17,	James H. Richards,	Lynn,	Sept. 1, 1839,	Lynn,	Shoe Cutter,	1877, '8, '88, '9
	Daniel P. Stimpson,	Swampscott,	Oct. 11, 1818,	Townsend,	Real Estate and Insurance,	1868, '89
18,	James P. Martin,	Lynn,	Jan. 26, 1827,	Charlestown,	Retired,	1868, '89
	Elihu B. Hayes,	Lynn,	Apr. 26, 1848,	W. Lebanon, Me.,	Newsdealer,	1868, '89
19,	Rufus Kimball,	Lynn,	Mar. 13, 1829,	Ipswich,	Editor,	1866, '67, '89
	John Macfarlane,	Lynn,	June 11, 1841,	Scotland,	Printer,	1869

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
ESSEX Co. — Con.						
No. 20.	{ Horace H. Atherton, Langdon H. Holder, Stephen S. Littlefield, Charles H. Shepard, .	{ Saugus, . Lynn, . Peabody, . Danvers, .	{ Oct. 23, 1847, Mar. 10, 1846, Aug. 8, 1848, Oct. 19, 1842,	{ Saugus, . Lynn, . Danvers, . Stetson, Me.,	{ Bookkeeper, . Baker, . Morocco Manufacturer, Editor, .	{ 1888, '89 1889 1889 1889
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Nathum S. Cutler, .	Greenfield, .	Apr. 7, 1837, .	Vernon, Vt., .	Shoe Manufacturer, .	1889
No. 2.	Henry D. Hamilton, .	New Salem, .	June 22, 1848, .	Shutesbury, .	Stage Driver, .	1889
No. 3.	Ralph L. Atherton, .	Gill, .	June 30, 1842, .	Gill, .	Farmer, .	1889
No. 4.	John B. Packard, .	Conway, .	Feb. 22, 1837, .	Conway, .	Farmer, .	1889
No. 5.	Charles Howes, .	Ashfield, .	Dec. 14, 1833, .	Ashfield, .	Farmer, .	1889
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1.	{ John B. Ripley, . Oren B. Parks, .	{ Granville, . Westfield, .	{ July 8, 1849, . Dec. 28, 1846, .	{ Granville, . Montgomery, .	{ Stock and Wool Dealer, Merchant, .	{ 1889 1889
No. 2.	{ Robert B. Crane, . John Hildreth, .	{ Westfield, . Holyoke, .	{ June 10, 1845, . Oct. 18, 1851, .	{ Dalton, . England, .	{ Paper Manufacturer, . Commission Agent, .	{ 1889 1889
No. 3.	{ Jeremiah J. Keane, . George D. Eldredge, .	{ Holyoke, . Chicopee, .	{ May 26, 1855, . Dec. 17, 1858, .	{ New York City, . Munson, Ohio, .	{ Bricklayer, . Inspector of Mechanical Work,	{ 1886, '7, '8, '9 1889
No. 4.	{ William F. Ferry, . Hiram B. Lane, .	{ Springfield, . Springfield, .	{ July 4, 1854, . Aug. 17, 1824, .	{ Springfield, . Newport, Vt., .	{ Retired, . Grocer, .	{ 1886, '89 1889
No. 5.	{ A. Olin Brooks, . Charles A. Call, .	{ Springfield, . Springfield, .	{ Apr. 23, 1852, . June 3, 1839, .	{ Stamford Springs, Ct., . Springfield, .	{ Grocer, . Grocer, .	{ 1886, '89 1889, '90
No. 6.	{ Charles H. Bennett, . Lavin J. Potter, .	{ Springfield, . Springfield, .	{ Mar. 11, 1843, . June 6, 1846, .	{ Wrentham, . Monson, .	{ Grocer, . Farmer, .	{ 1886, '90 1890
No. 7.	{ William W. Leach, .	Falmes, .	Feb. 22, 1826, .	Monson, .	Lawyer, .	1890

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.									
No. 1,	.	John B. Botum,	Northampton,	July 7, 1852,	Northampton,	Lawyer,	1886, '7, '8, '9		
2,	.	Henry A. Kimball,	Northampton,	May 3, 1842,	Windham, Ct.,	Coal Merchant,	1888, '89		
3,	.	Charles K. Brewster,	Worthington,	June 11, 1843,	Worthington,	Merchant and Farmer,	1889		
4,	.	John N. Pierce,	Hadley,	Dec. 8, 1833,	Hadley,	Farmer,	1889		
5,	.	Frank E. Paige,	Amherst,	Mar. 22, 1859,	Prescott,	Lawyer,	1889		
	.	William S. Douglas,	Greenwich,	Apr. 5, 1836,	Greenwich,	Farmer,	1889		
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.									
No. 1,	.	George A. Perkins,	Cambridge,	Sept. 4, 1856,	Cambridge,	Lawyer,	1886, '87, '89		
	.	Chester F. Sanger,	Cambridge,	Dec. 22, 1858,	Somerville,	Lawyer,	1888, '89		
2,	.	Horace G. Kemp,	Cambridge,	Aug. 19, 1849,	Cambridgeport,	Soap Manufacturer,	1887, '89		
3,	.	Horace E. Clayton,	Cambridge,	Feb. 11, 1854,	Kennebuntport, Me.,	Clerk,	1889		
	.	John W. Coveney,	Cambridge,	Apr. 10, 1845,	East Cambridge,	Undertaker,	1888, '89		
4,	.	Moses D. Church,	Cambridge,	Apr. 3, 1842,	Orleans Co., Vt.,	Physician,	1888, '89		
	.	Frank W. Dallinger,	Cambridge,	June 5, 1852,	Cambridgeport,	Public Warehouseman,	1889		
5,	.	Joshua H. Davis,	Somerville,	Nov. 3, 1814,	Truro,	Retired,	1889		
6,	.	Francis H. Raymond,	Somerville,	Feb. 19, 1836,	Charlestown,	Manager Cam'ge Elec. Light Co.,	1888, '89		
7,	.	Irving L. Russell,	Somerville,	May 24, 1852,	Somerville,	Market Gardener,	1888, '89		
8,	.	J. Henry Norcross,	Medford,	Oct. 29, 1841,	Lincoln,	Fancy Goods Dealer,	1889		
9,	.	Henry E. Turner, Jr.,	Malden,	May 4, 1842,	Boston,	Treas. of Com'th Shoe Nailer Co.,	1889		
	.	Thomas E. Barker,	Malden,	Mar. 13, 1839,	Canterbury, N.H.,	Merchant,	1889		
10,	.	Joseph H. Cannell,	Everett,	Feb. 24, 1836,	Cambridge,	Real Estate and Ins.,	1888, '89		
11,	.	William E. Barrett,	Melrose,	Dec. 29, 1858,	Melrose,	Editor,	1888, '89		
12,	.	Myron J. Ferren,	Stonham,	Aug. 16, 1836,	Corinth, Vt.,	Dealer in Shoe Findings,	1887, '88, '89		
13,	.	Charles F. Woodward,	Wakefield,	Nov. 19, 1852,	Wakefield,	Manufacturer,	1888, '89		
	.	Montessor T. Allen,	Woburn,	May 20, 1844,	Woburn,	Lawyer,	1888, '89		
14,	.	Lewis M. Bancroft,	Reading,	Dec. 31, 1851,	Reading,	Insurance Inspector and Agent,	1889		
15,	.	Samuel W. McCall,	Winchester,	Feb. 28, 1851,	Ray's Hill, Pa.,	Lawyer,	1888, '89		
16,	.	Charles Q. Pierce,	Watertown,	Jan. 25, 1841,	West Boylston,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1888, '89		

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MIDDLESEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 17,	Winfield S. Slocum,	Newton,	May 1, 1848,	Grafton,	Lawyer,	1888, '89
18,	Gorham D. Gilman,	Newton,	May 29, 1822,	Hallowell, Me.,	Wholesale Druggist,	1889
19,	*Henry S. Milton,	Waltham,	Sept. 28, 1855,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1889
20,	George W. Cuttings,	Weston,	Nov. 18, 1834,	Weston,	Flour and Grain Dealer,	1889
21,	John F. Hutchinson,	Lexington,	Jan. 6, 1856,	Brookline, N. H.,	Merchant,	1889
22,	Edward M. Nichols,	Wilmington,	Aug. 22, 1848,	Wilmington,	Insurance Agent,	1889
23,	Michael J. Garvey,	Lowell,	May 27, 1859,	Lowell,	Butcher,	1889
	Francis W. Qua,	Lowell,	Sept. 2, 1845,	Lisbon, N. Y.,	Lawyer,	1888, '89
	Peter J. Brady,	Lowell,	Oct. 29, 1861,	Lowell,	Grocery Clerk,	1888, 7, 8, 9
24,	Charles E. Carter,	Lowell,	— 1850,	Lyndeboro, N. H.,	Druggist,	1889
	Charles H. Hanson,	Lowell,	July 7, 1844,	Barnston, P. Q.,	Dealer in Horses and Carriages,	1889
25,	Thomas H. Connell,	Dracut,	Sept. 18, 1849,	Hudson, N. H.,	Carpenter and Builder,	1889
26,	Richard B. Allen,	Lowell,	Jan. 26, 1859,	Tewksbury,	Grocer,	1889
27,	Albert Mead,	Natick,	Apr. 23, 1830,	Boxborough,	Retired,	1889
	Abner Greenwood,	Ashland,	Sept. 10, 1826,	Ashland,	Coal Dealer,	1889
28,	George A. Reed,	Framingham,	Sept. 10, 1842,	Concord,	Railroad Conductor,	1889
	Charles E. Spring,	Holliston,	Nov. 19, 1842,	Grafton, Vt.,	Physician,	1888, '89
29,	I. Porter Morse,	Marlborough,	Apr. 10, 1861,	Marlborough,	Salesman,	1889
30,	Francis C. Curtis,	Marlborough,	Mar. 23, 1836,	Dudley,	Provision Dealer and Farmer,	1874, '76, '89
31,	Nelson B. Conant,	Littleton,	Dec. 6, 1845,	Acton,	Merchant,	1889
32,	John O. Bennett,	Pepperell,	Nov. 8, 1838,	Pepperell,	Mason,	1889
	Horace S. Brooks,	Ashby,	July 22, 1835,	Ashby,	Farmer,	1889
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Anthony Smalley,	Nantucket,	Mar. 15, 1836,	Harwich,	Master Mariner,	1889

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NORFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1,	George C. Stearns,	Dedham,	Feb. 12, 1854,	New York City,	Insurance Agent,	1880
2,	George N. Carpenter,	Brookline,	Jan. 26, 1840,	Northfield, Vt.,	Life Insurance,	1887, '88, '89
3,	Ferdinand A. Wyman,	Hyde Park,	Dec. 28, 1850,	Waltham,	Lawyer,	1888, '89
4,	Walter P. Beck,	Milton,	Jan. 20, 1850,	Boston,	Auctioneer,	1889
5,	Warren W. Adams,	Quincy,	Dec. 11, 1844,	Quincy,	Grain Dealer,	1889
6,	John F. Merrill,	Quincy,	Jan. 16, 1849,	Brownfield, Me.,	Merchant,	1888, '89
7,	Louis A. Cook,	Weymouth,	May 4, 1847,	Blackstone,	Lawyer,	1880, '89
8,	Thos. Haven Dearing,	Braintree,	Oct. 25, 1826,	Kittery, Me.,	Physician,	1889
9,	Robert S. Gray,	Walpole,	Sept. 28, 1847,	Walpole,	Manuf. Cotton Yarns,	1889
10,	Rufus A. Thayer,	Randolph,	Dec. 3, 1839,	Randolph,	Farmer,	1889, '89
11,	William A. Wyckoff,	Franklin,	Apr. 30, 1838,	Albany, N.Y.,	Clerk,	1889
12,	James D. Lincoln,	Wrentham,	Mar. 30, 1823,	Brimfield,	Manuf'g Jeweller,	1889
13,	Albert E. Miller,	Needham,	July 7, 1834,	Seneca Co., N.Y.,	Physician and Surgeon,	1888, '89
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Everett F. Sherman,	Plymouth,	Apr. 13, 1826,	Plymouth,	Grocer,	1889
2,	Thomas Alden,	Duxbury,	Aug. 17, 1827,	Scituate,	Farmer,	1889
3,	J. Dean Bonney,	Pembroke,	Jan. 28, 1831,	Pembroke,	Carriage Manufacturer,	1889
4,	Z. Taylor Harrington,	Hull,	Nov. 14, 1848,	Boston,	Hotel-keeper,	1889
5,	William Henry Brooks,	Hanover,	Jan. 11, 1831,	Baltimore, Md.,	Clergyman,	1889
6,	Harvey H. Pratt,	Abington,	Feb. 24, 1860,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Lawyer,	1888, '89
7,	Ellis B. Furrington,	Mattapoisett,	Jan. 31, 1831,	Rochester,	Carpenter and Builder,	1889
8,	Jared F. Alden,	Middleboro'h,	Apr. 18, 1836,	Middleborough,	Insurance Agent,	1889
9,	Robert O. Harris,	E. Bridgewater,	Nov. 8, 1854,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1889
10,	Charles French Porter,	Brockton,	Jan. 16, 1836,	East Randolph,	Retired,	1889
11,	A. Cranston Thompson,	Brockton,	Dec. 19, 1843,	Halifax, Mass.,	Planing Mill Owner,	1888, '89
12,	Charles C. Bixby,	Brockton,	-	Bridgeport, Vt.,	Real Estate,	1888, '88, '89

* Resigned June 7, 1889.

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SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Charles T. Witt, .	East Boston, .	July 18, 1848,	Norway, Me., .	Milk Business, .	1888, '89
2,	Clarence P. Lovell, .	East Boston, .	June 21, 1848,	Boston, .	Ship Broker, .	1888, '89
3,	Patrick J. Kennedy, .	East Boston, .	Jan. 8, 1858,	Boston, .	Trader, .	1886, '7, '8, '9
4,	Thomas O. McEnaney, .	East Boston, .	Oct. 23, 1857,	East Boston, .	Merchant Tailor, .	1888, '89
5,	William H. Murphy, .	Charlestown, .	Dec. 18, 1855,	Charlestown, .	Merchant, .	1889
6,	John W. O'Neil, .	Charlestown, .	Sept. 21, 1859,	Charlestown, .	Painter, .	1888, '89
7,	William H. Preble, .	Charlestown, .	Aug. 11, 1856,	Charlestown, .	Lawyer, .	1888, '89
8,	Ira A. Worth, .	Charlestown, .	Oct. 23, 1828,	Starkboro, Vt., .	Carver, .	1889
9,	Omer Pillsbury, .	Charlestown, .	Nov. 15, 1853,	Kingfield, Me., .	Yard Master, Fitchburg R. R., .	1889
10,	George N. Swallow, .	Charlestown, .	Jan. 2, 1854,	Charlestown, .	Grocer, .	1889
11,	John F. Gillespie, .	Boston, .	Apr. 18, 1858,	Boston, .	Electroplater, .	1889
12,	Richard M. Barry, .	Boston, .	June 5, 1868,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1889
13,	Thomas G. Farren, .	Boston, .	Mar. 20, 1858,	Boston, .	Grocer, .	1887, '88, '89
14,	Daniel McLaughlin, .	Boston, .	- 1847,	Ireland, .	Trader, .	1885, '86, '89
15,	John H. Sullivan, .	Boston, .	June 24, 1850,	Ireland, .	Express Agent, .	1889
16,	Harrison H. Atwood, .	Boston, .	Aug. 26, 1863,	No. Londonderry, Vt., .	Architect, .	1887, '88, '89
17,	Frank Morison, .	Boston, .	Mar. 18, 1844,	Baltimore, Md., .	Lawyer, .	1889
18,	Andrew B. Latimore, .	Boston, .	Aug. 4, 1852,	Hampton, Va., .	Clerk, .	1889
19,	Jacob Fottler, .	Boston, .	Aug. 19, 1830,	Dorchester, .	Produce Dealer, .	1888, '89
20,	Edward Sullivan, .	Boston, .	Aug. 14, 1844,	Exeter, N. H., .	Lawyer, .	1889
21,	George P. Sanger, Jr., .	Boston, .	Sept. 6, 1852,	Charlestown, .	Lawyer, .	1888, '89
22,	Andreas Blume, .	Boston, .	Dec. 8, 1837,	Germany, .	Lawyer, .	1888, '89
23,	Donald J. Quinn, .	Boston, .	June 2, 1861,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1888, '89
24,	James J. Burke, .	Boston, .	Mar. 1, 1862,	Boston, .	Grocer, .	1889

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13,	Michael J. Moore,	South Boston,	Sept. 23, 1863,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1889
14,	Edward J. Leary,	South Boston,	May 27, 1860,	Boston,	Music Composer,	1888, '89
15,	Robert F. Means,	South Boston,	Aug. 22, 1838,	Boston,	Paint Manufacturer,	1889
16,	John H. Crowley,	South Boston,	Aug. 20, 1858,	Boston,	Clerk,	1889
17,	William S. McNary,	South Boston,	Mar. 29, 1863,	No. Abington,	Editor,	1889
18,	Joseph Nolan,	South Boston,	Apr. 27, 1860,	Boston,	Expressman,	1889
19,	Jeremiah Desmond,	Boston,	May 2, 1853,	Boston,	Brass Worker,	1886, '6, '7, '8, '9
20,	Thomas J. Keliber,	Boston,	Oct. 13, 1858,	Boston,	Grocer,	1889
21,	Robert H. Bowman,	Boston,	Sept. 26, 1855,	Yonkers, N. Y.,	Lawyer,	1889
22,	John W. O'Mealey,	Boston,	June 25, 1861,	Boston,	Druggist,	1888, '89
23,	John Albree,	Boston,	Mar. 14, 1829,	Pittsburgh, Pa.,	Retired,	1889
24,	Henry Frost,	Boston,	May 18, 1892,	Quebec,	Silk Manufacturer,	1888, '89
25,	Thomas H. Duggan,	Boston,	Mar. 11, 1848,	Ireland,	Master Plumber,	1889
26,	William H. Monahan,	Boston,	Dec. 25, 1857,	Boston,	Shoe Dealer,	1888, '89
27,	Michael J. McEttrick,	Boston,	June 22, 1846,	Boston,	Civil Engineer,	1885, '8, '7, '8, '9
28,	John H. McDonough,	Boston,	Mar. 29, 1857,	Portland, Me.,	Law Student,	1886, '7, '8, '9
29,	Henry S. Dewey,	Boston,	Nov. 9, 1856,	Hanover, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1889
30,	Francis W. Kitredge,	Boston,	June 4, 1849,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1889
31,	John E. Heslan,	Boston,	Nov. 11, 1854,	Roxbury,	Book-keeper,	1889
32,	Pelatih R. Tripp,	Boston,	Aug. 15, 1842,	Alfred, Me.,	Leather Salesman,	1889
33,	Edward W. Brewer,	Boston,	Oct. 19, 1858,	West Roxbury,	Lawyer,	1888, '89
34,	Henry P. Oakman,	Dorchester,	June 27, 1831,	Marshfield,	Carpenter and Builder,	1889
35,	Thomas W. Bicknell,	Dorchester,	Sept. 6, 1834,	Barrington, R. I.,	Educational,	1889
36,	James W. Harvey,	Brighton,	Apr. 10, 1844,	Liverpool, N.S.,	Machine Blacksmith,	1889
37,	Franklin O. Barnes,	Chelsea,	Nov. 14, 1841,	Chelsea,	Lawyer,	1889
38,	William S. Hixon,	Chelsea,	Nov. 3, 1848,	Cornwall, N. Y.,	Soapstone Manuf'r,	1888, '89
39,	Willard Howland,	Chelsea,	Dec. 3, 1852,	Pembroke,	Lawyer,	1889
40,	Charles Grant, Jr.,	Revere,	June 26, 1844,	Concord, Me.,	Leather Business,	1889

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WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1, ...	John D. Holbrook, ...	Athol, ...	Oct. 6, 1843, ...	Townshend, Vt., ...	Dry Goods, ...	1889
2, ...	John H. Wilkins, ...	Ashburnham, ...	Oct. 14, 1832, ...	Salem, ...	Overseer, ...	1887, '89
3, ...	Percival Blodgett, ...	Templeton, ...	July 18, 1841, ...	Orange, ...	Merchant, ...	1889
4, ...	George Ayres, ...	Petersham, ...	Aug. 26, 1833, ...	Petersham, ...	Farmer, ...	1889
5, ...	Herbert W. Howe, ...	Hubbardston, ...	Dec. 17, 1842, ...	Petersham, ...	Mann'r of Lumber and Boxes, ...	1889
6, ...	George Bliss, ...	Warren, ...	Nov. 20, 1844, ...	Warren, ...	Provision Dealer, ...	1889
7, ...	John B. Gould, ...	Warren, ...	Nov. 29, 1820, ...	Holland, Mass., ...	Farmer, ...	1889
8, ...	Henry O. Smith, ...	Leicester, ...	Sept. 15, 1839, ...	Leicester, ...	Lawyer, ...	1889
9, ...	George L. Clemence, ...	Southbridge, ...	Feb. 17, 1852, ...	Gt. Barrington, ...	Farmer, ...	1889
10, ...	Lyman R. Eddy, ...	Webster, ...	Mar. 21, 1837, ...	Holland, Mass., ...	Retired Druggist, ...	1889
11, ...	Sallman Russell, ...	E. Douglas, ...	Dec. 11, 1836, ...	Temple, Me., ...	Druggist, ...	1889
12, ...	Joseph A. Partridge, ...	Upton, ...	Jan. 3, 1830, ...	Framingham, ...	Dry Goods, ...	1889
13, ...	James Lally, Jr., ...	Milford, ...	Feb. 22, 1862, ...	Milford, ...	Shoemaker, ...	1887, '88, '89
14, ...	Thomas McCoey, ...	Blackstone, ...	Aug. 26, 1851, ...	Blackstone, ...	Loom Fixer, ...	1888, '89
15, ...	Alden M. Bigelow, ...	Grafton, ...	Mar. 28, 1848, ...	Grafton, ...	Carrier, ...	1889
16, ...	Samuel Wood, ...	Northborough, ...	Feb. 13, 1831, ...	Northborough, ...	Pres. Northborough Nat'l Bank, ...	1889
17, ...	Frank E. Holman, ...	Clinton, ...	Aug. 8, 1853, ...	Clinton, ...	Hardware Merchant, ...	1888, '89
18, ...	Albert H. Newhall, ...	Sterling, ...	Dec. 25, 1834, ...	Leominster, ...	Paper Hanger and Painter, ...	1889
19, ...	Charles C. Putnam, ...	Lunenburg, ...	May 28, 1844, ...	Lunenburg, ...	Accountant, ...	1889
20, ...	John W. Kimball, ...	Fitchburg, ...	Feb. 27, 1828, ...	Fitchburg, ...	Real Estate, ...	1889, '93, '72, '80, '89
21, ...	Nelson F. Bond, ...	Fitchburg, ...	Jan. 9, 1839, ...	Ware, ...	Cashier, ...	1889
22, ...	Joseph F. Cheney, Jr., ...	Worcester, ...	July 29, 1843, ...	Jamaica Plain, ...	Grocer, ...	1888, '89
23, ...	Alfred S. Pinkerton, ...	Worcester, ...	Mar. 19, 1856, ...	Lancaster, Pa., ...	Lawyer, ...	1887, '88, '89
24, ...	Peter T. Carroll, ...	Worcester, ...	Jan. 23, 1854, ...	Hopkinton, ...	Lawyer, ...	1888, '89

19,	.	James H. Mellen,	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	1877, '78, '79,
20,	.	James M. Cronin,	Worcester,	Nov. 9, 1857,	Worcester,	Carpet Weaver,	81, '82, '83, '84
21,	.	John W. Plaisted,	Worcester,	Apr. 3, 1828,	Bridgeton, Me.,	Merchant,	1888, '89
22,	.	William B. Sprout,	Worcester,	July 10, 1859,	Enfield,	Lawyer,	1888
23,	.	Edward B. Glasgow,	Worcester,	-	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Lawyer,	1889

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Office.
Edward A. McLaughlin, <i>Clerk.</i>	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1883
James W. Kimball, <i>Assistant Clerk.</i>	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Lynn,	Printer,	1888
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms.</i>	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	-	1886
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain.</i>	Boston,	-	-	Clergyman,	1879

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OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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APPENDIX.

THE SPEAKER.

1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business.

2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.

[With regard to appeals, see Rules 82 and 93.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided.

[See Rules 64 to 68.]

4. In all cases he may vote.

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting.

6. He shall each day examine the journal of the House.

7. He may name a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding two days at one time.

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior member present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the Rules and, on request of the Speaker, to return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the Rules after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[See Rule 20.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting and shall cause the same to be printed daily.

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

12. Every question of order shall be noted in the journal, and, with the decision, shall be entered at large in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules of the House, and of the two branches.

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration ; a list of matters lying on the table ; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct.

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry, and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired : *provided*, that the operation of this rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session.

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up, to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking ; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking ; or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair.

17. No member shall be absent more than two days without leave of the House.

18. No member shall absent himself from the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence.

19. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

20. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the Rules, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor ; and, until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

21. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows : —

A committee on the Judiciary ;

A committee on Probate and Insolvency ;

- A committee on Finance ;
- (to consist of nine members each).
- A committee on Elections ;
- A committee on County Estimates ;
- A committee on Rules ;
- (to consist of seven members each).
- A committee on Bills in the Third Reading ;
- A committee on Engrossed Bills ;
- A committee on Pay-Roll ;
- A committee on Leave of Absence ;
- (to consist of three members each).

[Amended Jan. 7, 1881 ; Jan. 10, 1883 ; Jan. 8, 1886.]

22. Unless other provision is made in any case all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman.

23. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman.

24. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor chairman of more than one.

25. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

26. The committee on Finance shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert.

27. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes : *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

28. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay.

29. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave

to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

30. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

[Adopted Jan. 26, 1881.]

31. On or before the second Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day, unless further time is granted, for cause.

[Amended Feb. 15, 1883.]

Committee of the Whole.

32. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

33. The Rules of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

34. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances, and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call for such papers.

35. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered.

Papers from the Senate.

36. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of

these Rules as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

37. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials, and remonstrances, or those received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Orders of Inquiry.

38. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference be made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates.

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

39. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement.

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 94.]

40. Bills shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections; dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

41. If a committee to whom a bill is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be "Shall this bill be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill, if it has been read but once, shall go to a second reading

without question ; otherwise it shall be placed in the orders for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be.

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883.]

42. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, or grant of public property, shall after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth.

[Amended Jan. 24, 1887.]

43. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee.

44. Amendments, proposed by the Senate, and sent back to the House for concurrence, shall be referred to the committee which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches. In which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day.

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

45. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee : *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill ; but, when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave ; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed before it is ordered to a second reading.

46. Bills, resolves, and other papers that have been, or, under the Rules or usage of the House, are to be printed, shall be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested.

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1883.]

47. No bill affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the whole people of the Commonwealth or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred, or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to the third reading of the bill.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880 ; also Jan. 10, 1883.]

48. When a bill, order, petition, memorial, or remonstrance has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session.

[Amended April 26, 1877.]

49. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction and report.

[See Rule 27.]

50. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days.

51. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison and report.

[See Rule 28.]

52. No engrossed bill shall be amended.

53. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered.

54. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

55. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, bills favorably reported to the House by committees, and bills the question of the rejection of which is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for the next day, and if they have been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question.

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883; Feb. 5, 1886.]

56. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

57. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading.

58. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of

the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows : Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar ; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of.

59. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders for the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under Rules fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider.

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of Order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 39.]

60. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course.

61. If, under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when, under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made.

VOTING.

62. No member shall vote in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

63. Members desiring to be excused from voting shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the

taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate, and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule sixty-seven.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Feb. 5, 1886.]

64. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound.

65. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate upon the question.

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

66. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted.

67. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before such time, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting.

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; also April 2, 1878; also April 1, 1879.]

68. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under Rules sixty-four, sixty-five and sixty-six, shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under Rules sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted.

Reconsideration.

69. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such

motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made ; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered : *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made.

70. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be twice reconsidered ; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions : —

to adjourn,
to lay on the table,
to take from the table ; or,
for the previous question.

71. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes ; but this rule shall not apply to a motion to reconsider a vote upon an amendment.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of consideration has expired, see Rule 15.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

72. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker ; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities ; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker.

73. When two or more members rise at the same time the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not.

74. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order.

75. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question.

Motions.

76. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker so directs.

77. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made.

78. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, to commit or recommit, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878; and Jan. 26, 1880.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 63.]

[For call for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 68.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 82.]

79. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of, the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,

See Rule 78.

for the previous question,

See Rules 80–85.

to close the debate at a specified time,

See Rules 84, 85.

to postpone to a time certain,

See Rule 86.

to commit (or recommit),

See Rules 78 and 87.

to amend,

See Rules 88–91.

to refer to the next General Court, or

to postpone indefinitely,

See Rule 92.

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule.

Previous Question.

80. The previous question shall be put in the following form: “*Shall the main question be now put?*”—and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

81. On the previous question, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and that only to give reasons why the main question should not be put; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

82. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate.

excepting on appeal ; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 93.]

83. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate except as provided in Rule eighty-five, and bring the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

Motion to Close Debate at a Specified Time.

84. Debate may be closed at any time not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. In case the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877 ; and Jan. 15, 1880.]

[See the next Rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

85. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Finance, under House Rule forty-two, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Finance is substantially different from that referred to them, in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the Finance Committee reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close.

[Amended March 28, 1877.]

Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain.

86. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time ; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit.

Motion to Commit.

87. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order : —

- a standing committee of the House,
- a select committee of the House,
- a joint standing committee,
- a joint select committee ;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House.

Motions to Amend.

88. A motion to amend an amendment may be received: but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

89. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

90. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it.

91. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

Equivalent for Motion to Postpone Indefinitely.

92. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall be equivalent to a motion to postpone indefinitely.

· *APPEAL.*

93. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.

[See Rule 82.]

RESOLVES.

94. Such of these Rules as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senate, shall apply likewise to such re-

solves as require the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the Governor, in order to become laws and have force as such. Except in Rule fifty-three, the word "bill" shall be equivalent to the word "resolve" in the same place.

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

95. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot, at least one day previous thereto.

SECRET SESSION.

96. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

97. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the Clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the Chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 34, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the Chairman of the committee on the Judiciary; that numbered 15, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Finance; that numbered 52, in the first division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Probate and Insolvency; and that numbered 39, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Railroads on the part of the House.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878; also Jan. 6, 1882.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors: —

Those numbered 8 and 11, in the first division;
 100 and 104, in the second division;
 96 and 99, in the third division;
 92 and 95, in the fourth division;
 87 and 91, in the fifth division; and
 4 and 7, in the sixth division.

[Amended Jan. 6, 1882.]

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The Clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him, shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the Sergeant-at-Arms within five days from the day of the drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

98. (1.) Every member shall have the privilege of introducing upon the floor of the House, to occupy (for that day) any seat then vacant not belonging to a member, or belonging to a member who is absent, not more than one person at the same time, such person not having any private interest in any measure before the legislature distinct from the public interest: *provided*, that in any case, when by the exercise of this privilege on the part of some of the members the vacant seats have been filled; and the Speaker so announces, the further exercise of the privilege shall be suspended for that day, or until one or more of the seats thus filled are vacated.

(2.) The Speaker may also invite visitors, without limit of number, to seats (not numbered) upon the floor of the House.
[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

(3.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

(4.) Senators and the principal officers* in the Executive and Judicial departments of the Civil Government of the Commonwealth, the Chaplains of both Houses, and the Clerk of the Senate, shall be admitted to the floor whenever they may have occasion to visit the House, and may occupy any of the seats not numbered which they may find vacant, or any seats which may be assigned by the Speaker for their use for the time being.

* See list in the Blue Book.

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SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT, AND REPEAL.

101. Nothing in these Rules shall be dispensed with, altered, or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this rule, and Rules thirty-nine, forty-nine, and ninety-nine, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present.

Blanks for orders, bills, reports, petitions, and indorsement of petitions, may be had on application to the Clerk, or at the document-room; and members are respectfully requested to use the same in the preparation of papers.

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- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House.

A committee on Election Laws ;
A committee on Federal Relations ;
A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
A committee on Insurance ;
A committee on the Library ;
A committee on the Liquor Law ;
A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
A committee on Printing ;
A committee on Prisons ;
A committee on Public Health ;
A committee on Public Service ;
A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
A committee on State House ;
A committee on Taxation ;
A committee on Towns ;
A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on the Treasury of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882 ; Jan. 5, 1883 ; Jan. 7, 1884 ; Jan. 8, 1885 ; Jan. 26, 1885 ; Jan. 8, 1886 ; Jan. 12, 1887 ; Jan. 9, 1888, and Jan. 28, 1889.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

4. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment.

5. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

6. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other special legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate."

Notice to Parties Interested.

7. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

8. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: Two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886, and Jan. 28, 1889.]

Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

9. Joint committees shall make a final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the second Wednesday in March, unless further time is granted for cause.

Committees of Conference.

10. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee,

shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference.

Introduction of Business.

11. No bill or resolve affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading.

Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.

12. Petitions, memorials, applications, and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, proposed or introduced after the first Wednesday of February, shall be referred to the next General Court. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon.

Duties of the Clerks.

13. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall indorse upon the report such amendment.

14. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

15. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed

Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in the House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

16. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

17. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

18. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Constitutional Amendments.

19. All resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the question upon agreeing to an amendment to the Constitution shall be taken by yeas and nays. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Joint Conventions.

20. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

21. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

22. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

23. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

24. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called, or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

25. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

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QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

[The figures in the following paragraphs refer to the page of the journal on which the questions and decisions are entered.]

That legislation affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, must be based upon a petition. [26, 230, 390.]

That amendments broader in their scope than the subject-matter on which a report is based are not in order. [60, 309, 792, 832.]

That an order of inquiry should indicate the nature of the legislation proposed, and when reference is made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order should specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates. [129, 245.]

That if a quorum is present when a vote is taken, it is not necessary that a quorum should vote. [226.]

That the provisions of House Rule 61 do not apply to a bill until the amendments moved which contemplate a substantial change in its character have been adopted. [696.]

That postponement to the next day of the consideration of an order on request of a member cannot be requested under House Rule 39 until the member making the request obtains the floor in order. [699.]

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When a measure has been finally rejected and another "substantially the same" is under consideration, the objection that substantially the same matter has been finally rejected must be raised in the branch where such final rejection has been had. [844, 865.]

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THE OATH OF OFFICE.

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I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Petition of the school committee of the, for legislation relative to a form of examination for engineers having charge of steam boilers, 601; bill reported, 721, 730, 737; enacted, 815.
- Order relative to the development of the property of the Commonwealth at South Boston by providing better access thereto, 208; bill (S.) reported, 656, 670, 682; enacted, 694.
- Petition of the Brighton Avenue Baptist Society of the, for legislation to confirm certain acts, 480; bill reported, 624, 637, 645; enacted, 703.
- Petition of the mayor of the, for a grant to said city of a parcel of land in South Boston, now leased to said city as a playground, 762; report (S. reference to the next General Court) accepted, 953.
- Petition of the city of Cambridge for authority to widen West Boston Bridge, 683; bill (S.) to authorize the cities of Boston and Cambridge to widen West Boston Bridge, 805, 817, 824; enacted, 841.
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Order (S.) relative to more clearly defining the preference intended to be given to, in appointments to office, 144; report (S. inexpedient), 711; accepted, 723; bill (S.) reported, 797, 818, 833, 844, 883, 903; committee of conference appointed, 926, 946; report, committee unable to agree, new committee appointed, 968, 973; report, 974; bill enacted, 982.

Order (S.) relative to more clearly defining the preference in appointments to office of, who were honorably discharged from military or naval service, 437, 451; report (inexpedient) accepted, 955.

Payment of State and military aid to. (See "State Aid.")

Order relative to providing that, who served in the late war, and were honorably discharged, may be granted a State license to peddle, on the same conditions as though they were disabled, 169. (For bill reported see "Hawkers and Peddlers.")

Resolution requesting Congress to pass a law granting pensions to every honorably discharged Union soldier or sailor who was confined in rebel prisons, 170, 572; adopted, 593, 634.

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Bill (on leave) to exempt from legal process the pension money paid by the United States to soldiers and their heirs, 170; notice of rejection by the Senate, 384.

Petition (S.) for legislation providing for the burial of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines who may hereafter die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses, 186; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 589, 619, 677, 774; bill substituted, 800, 806, 817, 823; enacted, 893.

Petition for an amendment to the Constitution, in place of Article 28 of the Amendments, relating to the disfranchisement of certain, 194; petition in aid, 327; resolve reported, 450, 488, 501, 506, 519; passed, 528.

Petition (S.) for legislation which shall place to the credit of the State, and render eligible to all benefits and privileges conferred by the Commonwealth, persons who enlisted in the military and naval service of the State prior to the opening of the War of the Rebellion, 286; resolve (S.) reported, 539, 550, 567; passed, 591.

Order relative to the records and returns of death of all, who served in the War of the Rebellion, 289; bill (S.) reported, 523, 543, 550; enacted, 582.

SOLDIERS' HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS:

Petition of the trustees of the, for an appropriation, 59; resolve (S.) reported, 186, 225, 239; 248; passed, 269.

Petition of the trustees of the, for an appropriation of \$50,000 to build an addition to said home, 175; resolve reported, 412, 495, 509, 518; passed, 591.

Petition of the trustees of the, for an amendment of the charter of said corporation, 569; bill (S.) reported, 641, 653, 662; enacted, 679.

Petition for the passage of a bill empowering the Governor and Council to appoint annually such numbers of directors of the, as shall give the State an equal interest in its management; referred to the next General Court, 939.

Soldiers' Messenger Corps, Resolve in favor of the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the adjutant-general), 687, 722, 731, 737; passed, 816.

Solicitor-General, Order (S.) relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider the expediency of providing for the appointment by the Governor of a, and assistant solicitors-general, 245; rejected, 253.

SOMERVILLE:

Petition that the city of, may be divided into eight wards, 194; report (S. leave to withdraw) accepted, 603.

Petition of the city of, for authority to borrow \$200,000 for high water service, 671; bill (S.) reported, 751, 775, 799; enacted, 816.

Sons of Veterans, Petitions that the, may be permitted to parade in public with arms, 197; petition in aid, 272; report (S. leave to withdraw), 420, 668; accepted, 682.

South Abington Baptist Church, Petition (S.) for a change of name of the, 89; bill (S.) reported, 221, 239, 248; enacted, 263.

South Boston, Petition of the Broadway Universalist Society of, for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to receive and hold in trust for said Broadway Universalist Society a certain sum of money, 448, 467; bill reported, 563, 575, 584; enacted, 889.

SOUTH BOSTON FLATS:

Order relative to providing better access to, and to enable the city of Boston to defray such expenses as by law it may be obliged to incur in carrying out such improvements, 203. (For bill reported see "Boston, City of.")

Bill to provide for the further improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston (reported, in part, on the report of the harbor and land commissioners), 238, 269, 277, 282; enacted, 395.

Southern Middlesex. (See "Middlesex County.")

Southern Vermont Railroad, sale of the. (See "Fitchburg Railroad Company.")

Southern Worcester. (See "Worcester County.")

South Framingham, State camp ground at. (See "State Camp Ground at South Framingham.")

SOUTH HADLEY:

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and. (See "Holyoke.")

Petition of the selectmen of the town of, for authority to sell and convey a certain cemetery in said town, 177; bill reported, 411, 428, 445; new draft (S.) 718, 790, 799, 817; enacted, 831.

Petition of the town of, for authority to make a loan to build an engine-house, 456, 482; bill reported, 746, 754, 766; new draft (S.), 901, 906; enacted, 927.

Spayed dogs. (See "Dogs.")

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Special commissioners, powers and duties of women appointed as. (See "Women.")

Spencer Railroad Company, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to lease or sell its road to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, 603; bill (S.) reported, 671, 689, 695; enacted, 694.

SPRINGFIELD:

Petition (S.) of George Leonard, clerk of the police court of, for increase of salary, 69; bill reported, 116, 121, 132; enacted, 238.

Petition of the city of, for authority to construct an additional water main, and to issue bonds to raise money required therefor, 419; bill (S.) reported, 785, 793, 817; enacted, 837.

Stables, Order relative to legislation concerning the erection and maintaining of, 182; report (inexpedient), 439; accepted, 452.

Standing wood, removal of, at grade crossings. (See "Grade Crossings.")

STATE AID :

So much of the Governor's address as relates to State aid and to invalid pensioners and their dependent relatives, 17; order (S.) relative to compiling, amending and revising the present laws relating to State and military aid, and embodying the same in a new act or acts, 51; order relative to the payment of State aid to dependent widows of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, 93; order relative to so amending all laws relating to the payment of, or military aid to soldiers and sailors as to provide for those soldiers and sailors who are now residents of this Commonwealth, but served in commands of other States during the late war, 166; bills (S.) reported :

Relative to military aid, 571, 625, 638, 646; enacted, 679.

Providing for the payment of, 571, 625, 638, 647; enacted, 703.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury, thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; resolve (S.) reported, in part, 719, 773, 786, 793; passed, 816; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 571.

State and county officers, Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to examine into the rates of compensation now allowed by law to the various, the various modes in which such compensation is paid, and to report what changes are necessary in such rates of compensation, and what offices may be abolished, 536, 545; notice of rejection by the Senate, 580.

State and county taxes. (See "Taxes.")

State arsenal, Report on the condition of the, and camp ground at South Framingham, accepted, 981.

STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION :

Annual report of the, 141, 316; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 512.

Order (S.) relative to printing additional copies of the report of the State board of, 390; resolve (S.) reported, 458, 486, 499, 509; passed, 525.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION :

Fifty-second annual report of the, with the annual report of the secretary of the board, 141; resolve (reported) in favor of the State Normal School at Framingham, 869, 942; passed, 982; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 875:

Order (S.) relative to the appointment of the, as a special commission to inquire into the condition and methods of common-school education as related to the practical industries of life, resolve (S. reported) providing for an investigation by the, into the subject of technical instruction in the schools, 912, 936, 944, 949; passed, 959.

Report of the State board of, on the tenure of office of superintendents of schools, 273; report (no legislation necessary), 338; accepted, 348.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH :

Order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the, 107; report (inexpedient), 280; accepted, 292; bill (S.) substituted, 596, 764, 802, 814, 823, 834; enacted, 857.

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Order (S.) relative to printing 2,000 extra copies of the report of the, on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys, 234; resolve (S.) reported, 330, 339, 352, 359; passed, 413.

Communication from the, transmitting a report on the sewerage of the Mystic and Charles River valleys, 186. (For bill reported see "Mystic and Charles River Valleys.")

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Order (S.) relative to printing 3,000 copies of the report of the, on the protection of the purity of inland waters, 553; resolve (S.) reported, 727, 735, 737, 755; passed, 786.

Communication from the, requesting that said board be allowed until next year to report on the subject of the pollution of ponds, lakes, streams and other bodies of water from which ice is cut for domestic use, 919; resolve reported, 956; passed, 982.

STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY:

Petition (S.) of Frank B. Sanborn, for an investigation of certain acts of, 40; report (leave to withdraw), 515; accepted, 526.

Tenth annual report of the, 48; bill (reported in part) for the better protection of infants, 563, 573, 644, 653, 662; enacted, 728; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 941.

Petition of the, for an additional appropriation of \$2,000 for general expenses of said board, 745; resolve reported, 814, 868, 880, 889; passed, 943.

State boards and commissions, Order relative to the earlier presentation of annual reports of, 448, 482; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 941.

STATE CAMP GROUND AT SOUTH FRAMINGHAM:

Resolve to provide for a water supply at the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the attorney-general), 623, 722, 764, 776, 814, 827, 830; passed, 841.

Report on the condition of the State arsenal and, accepted, 981.

State charitable institutions, Order relative to defining what is meant by pauper inmates of, and lunatic hospitals, and to transferring pauper inmates of, and lunatic hospitals, 79, 146; report (inexpedient), 385; accepted, 396.

State, city and town elections. (See "Elections.")

State, city and town institutions, Order relative to requiring all, having the custody and care of criminals, the poor, dependent, sick and insane, to keep a complete record of the inmates, 167; report (inexpedient), 485; accepted, 498.

State Farm at Bridgewater, thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 27; resolve reported, 651, 722, 730, 737, passed, 816; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 941.

State dairy commissioner, Order (S.) relative to establishing the office of a, 231; petitions in aid, 235, 254; report (S. inexpedient), 640; accepted, 652.

State departments, better accommodation for the. (See "State House.")

State historian, Order relative to the appointment of a, to correct and complete a history of the part taken by the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the War of the Rebellion, 73; report (reference to the next General Court), 547, 555; recommitted, 567; bill (reported) providing for the appointment of a State military historian, 612, 625, 637, 646, 678, 748, 770, 849; enacted, 876.

STATE HOUSE:

So much of the Governor's address as relates to the loan for the purchase of land for the extension of the, 17; report (S. no legislation necessary), 354; accepted, 368.

Order relative to changing the name of the bust in the alcove on the eastern side of Doric Hall in the, from Samuel Adams to George Washington, 38; resolve reported, 876, 885, 894, 897; notice of rejection by the Senate, 946; order relative to the removal of the bust of, from Doric Hall in the, 621.

Order relative to extending the time for the presentation of a plan for the better accommodation of the State departments in the city of Boston, 89; resolve reported, 47, 52; recommitted, 60.

Message from the Governor containing certain recommendations in regard to the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, 154.

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Providing for an agent to care for the property acquired by the Commonwealth for the better accommodation of the State government under chapter 349 of the Acts of the year 1888, 276, 299, 308, 318, 323; passed, 395.

Authorizing the Governor and Council to procure assistance in perfecting a plan for the better accommodation of the State government, and also reliable estimates of the cost of construction, 276, 290, 308, 325, 438; passed, 452.

Bill (reported) in addition to an act to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, 599; new draft, 612, 627, 638; enacted, 703.

Order relative to requesting the governor and council to place on exhibition the different plans for addition to the, upon which prizes have been awarded, 207.

Message from the Governor in compliance with chapter 38 of the resolves of the present year, submitting a substantially perfected plan for the better accommodation of the State government, with estimates of the cost of construction, 604, 614; bill to provide for the enlargement of the, in the city of Boston (reported on the above message and on a message of the Governor containing certain recommendations in regard to the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston), 687, 753, 766, 817, 827, 919; enacted, 927.

STATE HOUSE — *Continued.*

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the (reported under authority of section 13, chapter 5 of the Public Statutes), 862, 868, 880, 889; passed, 948.

State House Commission, annual report of the, on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, with a list of expenditures in the department of the sergeant-at-arms, 88; report (no legislation necessary), 422; accepted, 443.

State Industrial and Reform Schools. (See "State Primary and Reform Schools.")

State Industrial School for Girls in Lancaster, Petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for an appropriation for rebuilding a barn at the, 161; resolve reported, 564, 612, 628, 638; passed, 704.

State institution, establishment of a, for the care, keeping and reformation of drunkards. (See "Drunkards.")

State institutions. (See "State, City and Town Institutions.")

State library, report of the librarian of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, and ninth annual supplement to the general catalogue, 27.

State loan, Petition of John M. Berry for a, to enable laborers to build homesteads, 92; report (leave to withdraw), 269, 276, 297; accepted, 326.

STATE LUNATIC HOSPITAL:

At Danvers, eleventh annual report of the trustees of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 588.

At Northampton, thirty-third annual report of the trustees of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 597.

At Taunton, thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; resolve (reported in part) providing for certain changes and improvements at the, 291, 376, 388, 397; passed, 462.

Report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 595.

Petition (S.) of the trustees of the, for authority to sell certain small tracts of land which are of no further use to said hospital, 603; bill (S.) reported, 684, 727, 737, 747; enacted, 793.

Petition of the trustees of the, for authority to purchase certain lands, and for an appropriation therefor, 772; resolve reported, 814, 851, 858, 870; passed, 914.

Petition (S.) of Sadie S. Daniels that she may be recompensed for illegal detention in the, in 1882, 228; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 499.

Fifty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and eleventh annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 589.

State military historian. (See "State Historian.")

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT BRIDGEWATER:

Order relative to enlarging and remodelling the, 118; resolve reported, 450, 764, 776, 807, 839, 841, 854; passed, 902.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT BRIDGEWATER — Continued.

Resolve (on leave) providing for repairs on the boarding-house at the, 745, 764, 806, 817, 823; passed, 898.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT FRAMINGHAM:

Petition for an appropriation of \$2,025 for furniture and sundry supplies at Crocker Hall at the, 54; petition for an additional appropriation, 76; resolve reported, 96, 102, 109, 116; passed, 147.

Resolve in favor of the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Education), 869, 942; passed, 982.

State Normal School at Salem, Order relative to repairs and modifications of the, 201; resolve (S.) reported, 410, 422, 444, 455; passed, 487.

State Normal School at Westfield, Order relative to authorizing the State Board of Education to purchase a suitable lot of land in the town of Westfield and to erect thereon a new State Normal School building, 178; remonstrance against, 540; resolve reported, referred to committee on Finance, 516; report (reference to the next General Court), 763, 791, 814; resolve substituted, 839, 848, 853; passed, 907.

STATE PENSION AGENT:

Annual report of the, 15, 52; report (S. no legislation necessary), 245; accepted, 257.

Order relative to an investigation of the affairs of the office of the, 99; notice of rejection by the Senate, 137.

State poll, Order relative to requiring that if the, exceed in amount the sum of five cents, the excess above said amount shall be apportioned upon property, as provided by section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, 164; order (S.) relative to the same, 184; report (inexpedient), 571, 583, 674, 687; accepted, 936.

STATE PRIMARY AND REFORM SCHOOLS:

Tenth annual report of the trustees of the, with the annual reports of the resident officers, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, 28; resolve (S. reported) providing for certain repairs at the State Primary School at Monson, 692, 722, 781, 788; passed, 754; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 642.

Petition of the trustees of the, for the repeal of section 45 of chapter 89 of the Public Statutes relating to the discharge and return to parents of inmates, and the substitution of a new section, 161; bill (S. reported) relating to the discharge of inmates of the State Industrial and reform schools, 383, 397, 406; enacted, 434.

Petition of the trustees of the, for increased accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys, 41; resolve reported, 347, 375, 388, 397; passed, 462.

Petition of the trustees of the, for an appropriation to build and make alterations at the Lyman School for Boys, 161; resolve reported, 339, 364, 380, 388; passed, 470.

Petition of the trustees of the, for an appropriation for rebuilding a barn at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, 161; resolve reported, 564, 612, 628; passed, 704.

State Primary School at Monson. (See "State Primary and Reform Schools.")

STATE PRISON :

Annual report of the commissioners of prisons on the Massachusetts, with the annual report of the warden and other officers of the institution, 28.

Resolve (S. reported) to provide for the enlargement of the yard at the, and for other purposes, 554, 564, 575, 584; passed, 606.

Resolve (reported) to provide for the construction of a building to be used as a school-room at the, in Boston, 581, 598, 616; title changed, 629; passed, 694.

Bill (S. reported) to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of the year 1888, in relation to the officers of the, 672, 746, 792, 838, 845; enacted, 907.

Report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 867.

Order (S.) relative to enclosing by proper fence or wall all of the, property at Charlestown, 51; report (inexpedient), 484; accepted, 498.

Bill to provide for the approval of bills for the maintenance of the, the Reformatory Prison for Women and the Massachusetts Reformatory (reported, in part, on the annual report of the commissioners of Prisons), 612, 628, 645; enacted, 703.

State prison for women. (See "Reformatory Prison for Women.")

State tax, Bill to apportion and assess a, of \$2,000,000, 947; enacted, 981.

STATE TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY :

Report of the commissioners of the, for 1888, 186; resolve (S. reported) providing for printing the topographical map of Massachusetts, 656, 670, 682; passed, 704.

Order (S.) relative to printing an additional number of the report of the commissioners on the, 101.

Stationary engines, Petition relative to requiring all persons in charge of, to pass examination as to qualifications for such positions, 330, 385; report (leave to withdraw), 494; accepted, 508.

Statutes, Order relative to providing that a copy of the ordinances of a city, duly certified by the city clerk, shall be *prima facie* evidence of such ordinance, 182; bill (reported) to amend chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to proof of, 356, 369, 388, 849, 867; enacted, 888.

STENOGRAPHERS :

Order relative to making it obligatory on, of the superior court to report civil cases only when requested thereto by counsel employed in the case or by the presiding justice, 33; report (inexpedient), 331; accepted, 340.

Order relative to changing the law concerning official, so that they shall attend all trials of criminal cases, and also relative to their compensation, 84; report (inexpedient), 331; accepted, 340.

Petition relative to the attendance of official, at important criminal trials, 279; report (leave to withdraw), 331; accepted, 341.

Order relative to providing that, shall report the trials of criminal causes when requested by the presiding judge or district attorney; also of providing that they shall receive annual salaries instead of the present per diem compensation, 136; report (inexpedient), 331; accepted, 340.

STENOGRAPHERS — Continued.

Petition of J. M. W. Yerrinton, Walter Rogers and James P. Bacon, official, for an increase of compensation, 250; petition of W. K. Armistead, official, for an increase of compensation, 750; bill (S. reported) to fix the salaries of official, of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk, 719, 730, 737; enacted, 754.

Stewart Susan Ann, Petition of, that she may be made eligible to receive State aid, 142; report (leave to withdraw), 332; accepted, 341.

STOCKBRIDGE:

Petition for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town of, with water, 31; report (S. leave to withdraw), 649; accepted, 662.

Bill (S.) permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of, 823, 947, 960; enacted, 982.

District court at Lee to include the town of. (See "Lee.")

Stockbridge Water Company, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to take and distribute for fire, domestic and other purposes, any of the waters of the town of, which are not now used by other existing companies, 482; bill (S.) reported, 912, 922, 928; enacted, 948.

STONEHAM:

Annexation of a part of, to Wakefield. (See "Wakefield.")

Petition that, may be transferred from the first to the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, 177; bill reported, 485, 499, 509; enacted, 728.

Petition that the town bounty be paid to certain soldiers and sailors who served in the late war as part of the quota of the town of, 197; report (leave to withdraw), 515, 524, 676; report (reference to the next General Court) substituted, accepted, 748.

Petition of the Christian Union Church of, for a change of name, 310; bill reported, 460, 472, 488; enacted, 548.

Street cars. (See "Street Railways.")

STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES:

Order relative to the issuing of bonds by, 207; bill (S.) reported, 665, 681, 716; enacted, 736.

Bill (S.) relating to voting by proxy at meetings of, 330, 515, 527, 543; enacted, 556.

Bill (S.) to provide for the giving of notices to street railway companies in case of actions against them on account of defects in highways, 752, 851; rejected, 858.

Order relative to the issuing of transfer checks by, in cities of more than 100,000 inhabitants, 207; report (S. inexpedient), 448; accepted, 462.

Order (S.) relative to further amending the general laws relating to, 221; report (inexpedient), 673; accepted, 689.

Order (S.) relative to granting authority to, authorized to use electricity as a motive power, to elevate their tracks for the purpose of avoiding the crossing at grade of the tracks of steam railroads, 221; report (S. inexpedient), 560; accepted, 575.

STREET RAILWAYS:

- Order relative to the use of electricity or other motive power on, 126; bill (reported in part) concerning the use of electric wires for street car propulsion in cities of more than 60,000 inhabitants, 773, 786; recommitted, 880.
- Order (S.) relative to providing for the approval by the railroad commissioners of locations granted, relocations, revocation of locations, revocation of the grant to use electricity or other motive power on, in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, 145, 154, 505; report (S. inexpedient), 649; accepted, 662.
- Petition for legislation to prevent nuisances on, by intoxicated persons, 199; report (leave to withdraw), 814; accepted, 323.
- Petition (S.) for legislation requiring from steam and, of this Commonwealth a statement, once in three months, of their gross and net earnings and financial condition, 236; report (leave to withdraw), 440, 451, 506, 519; accepted, 614.
- Erection of electric overhead wires for propulsion of cars on. (See "Electric Wires.")
- Order relative to prohibiting minors under twelve years, from selling papers or other articles on street cars, 168; bill reported, 460, 501, 509; enacted, 581.
- Regulation of fares on railroads and. (See "Railroads.")
- Bill (S.) in relation to evidence at inquests in cases of fatal accidents on, 373, 412, 428, 445; enacted, 470.

SUFFOLK COUNTY:

- Order relative to establishing the tenure and compensation of the fourth assistant clerk of the superior court for civil business in, 42; bill reported, 102, 109, 116; enacted, 269.
- Order relative to legislation concerning the make-up of the trial list of cases in the superior court, civil business, in, 127; report (inexpedient), 254; accepted, 263.
- Petition of the clerk to the district attorney for, for an increase of salary, 176; bill (S. reported), 504, 548, 557, 567; enacted, 591.
- Order relative to providing for additional clerical assistance in the registry of probate and insolvency for, 183; bill reported, 806, 816, 823; enacted, 913.
- Order relative to providing that the provisions of chapter 108, Acts of 1888, relating to the payment of witness fees, shall not apply to, 209; report (inexpedient), 401; accepted, 426.
- Petitions of J. M. W. Yerrinton, Walter Rogers, James P. Bacon and W. K. Armistead, official stenographers, for increase of compensation, 250; bill (S. reported) to fix the salaries of official stenographers of the superior court for civil business for the county of Suffolk, 719, 730, 737; enacted, 754.
- Bill (on leave) to provide for printing a daily trial list in the superior court in the county of Suffolk, 733, 745, 763, 851, 858, 870, 967; enacted, 981.

SUFFOLK TRUST AND INVESTMENT COMPANY :

Order (S.) relative to changing the name of the; laid aside, 390.

Petition (S.) of the, for a change of name, 421; bill (S.) reported, 882, 893; enacted, 907.

Sunday entertainment, Order relative to defining more clearly what is known as, 182; report (inexpedient), 547; accepted, 556; recommitted, 564; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 954.

Sunday law. (See "Lord's Day.")

Superintendents of schools. (See "Schools," "School Superintendents.")

Superintendents of streets in towns. (See "Towns.")

SUPERIOR COURT :

Order relative to making it obligatory on stenographers to report civil cases only when requested thereto by counsel employed in the case or by the presiding justice, 38; report (inexpedient), 331; accepted, 340.

Order relative to the commencement of cases over which the, and inferior courts have concurrent jurisdiction, 44; report inexpedient, 237; accepted, 247.

Appeals from assessors of taxes to the. (See "Taxes.")

Order (S.) relative to allowing a longer time for claiming a jury trial in the supreme judicial court and, 233; report (inexpedient), 289, 307; accepted, 366.

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